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World summit sought on plight of poor nations

A plan for a drastic restructuring of relations between rich and poor nations was presented by Herr Willy Brandt in New York yesterday. It was contained in the report of the Brandt Commission, which also put forward a four-point emergency plan to avert global disaster. It suggested that a summit of world leaders should discuss the emergency programme.

Four-point plan to avert disaster

Prime Minister who had been an extremely active member of the commission, commented: "Our conclusion is that the

survive at its present level-and in places it will not survive at

all-unless we carry through this programme for survival.

ment between the Opec countries, which had the surpluses, and the developed North to use

their resources to enable the developing countries to im-prove their position and equip themselves, and in the process

get the world economy going again, he said.

"I, of course, want to see the British government taking

part in this concordat, and con-

tributing its part to the devel-oping world", Mr Heath said, "not necessarily through more

sid, but certainly through the arrangements it is prepared to make in other fields such as

technology, such as dealing with imports of manufactured goods, such as commodity agree-

Herr Brandt, in a passion

ately argued introduction to the report, describes the re-shaping of North-South relations

as "the greatest challenge to mankind for the remainder of the century". It was widely argued, he admits, that the

present time of prolonged recession was the worst moment

for advocating radical changes.

By Roger Berthoud

The relationship between the world's rich and poor countries must be drastically reshaped if both the industrialized and including countries are to be industrialized world, the North, cannot hope to survive at the standard of living which it has experienced in the past nor can the developing world hope to developing countries are to be rescued from the present international orisis.

Such, very broadly, is the overall conclusion of an unpreedented two-year inquiry by 18 leading and independent figures from the two parts of the globe, lead by Herr Willy Brandt, the former German Chancellor, whose findings are summed up in a 300-page

report.
This report, entitled "North-South: A Programme for Survival," was presented yesterday in New York by Herr Brandt to Dr Kurt Waldheim, the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

It concludes with a suggestion for a summit of world leaders from North and South a four-point emergency programme involv-ing: a large-scale transfer of developing international อก countries. energy strategy, a global food programme and a start on reform of the international

economic system. The report is full of horrendous statistics: 800 million are destitutes; 17 million children die below the age of five every year in developing countries, where blindness afflicts 30 to 40 million people; there are 34 countries where more than 80 per cent of the population is illiterate; the biggest cities of the third world are likely to exceed populations of 30 mil-

the end of the century. Among the commission's more dramatic suggestions for arresting the march to chaos is for an international trax on the arms trade, as well as on international trade, travel and global

assets like sea-bed minerals.

The chief argument of the report of the Independent Commission on International Development Issues, as it is formally called ,is that the developed and developing countries are mustly dependent. "The self-interest of nations can now only be effectively pursued through taking account of mutual in-terests", it states.

Preseting the report in London yesterday, Mr Edward Heath, the former Conservative

BL will not improve on rejected pay offer
By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter

Entish Leyland last night declared itself determined not to bow to union pressure by improving a pay offer rejected by nearly six to four in a secret ballor of the company's \$5,000

In an 82 per cent poll, the results of which were announcer yesterday, the work-force wored by 41,422 to 28,623 to back their negotiators; rejection of an offer yielding basic increases of hetween 5 and 10 per cent.

Mr Grenville Hawley, Trans-port and General Workers' Union automotive group port and General Workers'
Union automotive group
society, announcing the result
in London, made clear that he
regarded it as a clear mandate
for the unions to insist on a
substantial improvement in the
offer when they meet the
management in the Midlands
on Friday. on Friday.

The company, seizing on the fact that "less than one in two of those eligible" had voted for rejection, said bluntly, almost immediately aefter the analyse most immediately aefter the analyse in the seize of the s nouncement, tehat it "does not have the cash to improve its offer".

Although the ballot results and the company's response, coming after the shock of Mon-day night's announcement of imminent mass lay-offs, have helped to plunge management-union relations into still deeper disarray, there was no immediate threat of a strike.

Mr Hawley said: "We will

do everything possible to try to resolve our differences with the company withour harmful effects to our members. Obviously a strike is harmful to our metmbers. If there is an all-out strike it will not be for want of our trying to prevent

this programme for survival.

"The industrialized, developed world has large, unused resources. We have 18 million unemployed in the OECD countries. We have spare capacity variously estimated at between \$250 and \$400 billion (up to £174,000m) a year. The developing world wants the resources, wants to be able to make use of them, wants to have the capital equipment we can supply, and many of the goods they cannot supply themselves". The vote, which he described as "overwhelmingly in support of their negotiators", had been achieved, he said, deshad been achieved, he said, despite a "campaign of interference" by the company in the ballot which had even obstructed the holding of meetings to discuss the negotiators' rejection of the offer.

Mr Hawley said: "Arguably we could say that they were trying to interfere with the decision. Unfortunately we have to say that this has done noth-To bring the two satisfac-torily together, the commission proposed a concordat or agree-

to say that this has done nothing to influence our opinion on the holding of ballots in fac-

However, Mr Raymond Horrocks, chief executive of Leyland Cars, said: "BL notes that the unions foiled to get support from a majority of the BL Cars' hourly paid workforce eligible to vote. Clearly, with only 49 per cent backing the negotiators... there is now no mandate for strike action."

It was "almost unprecedented for a negotiating team to re-

ceive such scant support when seeking an overwhelming vote from its members on a wage-related issue." Mr Hawley, pointing to the high turnout and the majorities of 59 per cent and 41 per cent in the vote, counted by the Electoral Reform Society, said: "If we accepted Sir Michael Edwardes's version of democ-racy we would never have a

government after a general

Yet rarely can the future of the world have seemed so en-Workers' anger, page 2

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Ment's heart was still showing occasional weakness and kidney difficulties were complicating his recovery from the amputation of his left leg. Summary of report, page 5



Mrs Gandhi, Indian Prime Minister, discusses Afghanistan with Mr Gromyko, Soviet Foreign Minister, during his visit to Delhi vesterday. Report, page 6

Oppenheimer group behind Gold Fields deal

By Ronald Pullen in London and Harold Fridjohn in Johannesburg

Mr Harry Oppenheimer's outh African-based Anglo-American mining group re-vealed yesterday that it was the buyer of shares in Consolidated Gold Fields, one of the United Kingdom's largest in-dustrial and mining companies. The admission that the com-

pany holds just over 25 per cent which has cost more than £150m, ends almost three months of speculation at Gold Fields over who was buying the shares. Last November Lord Erroll of Hale, Consolidated's

Moscow's

former UN

envoy dies

Moscow, Feb 12.—Mr Iscob Malik, the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister and a former Ambassador to Britain, has died aged 73, Tass reported today. Mr Malik headed the Soviet delegation at the United Nations from 1948 to 1952, and again in 1968 until 1976 when he returned to Moscow.

To many United Nations observers he represented the old school of tough, abrasive and proverb-wielding Kremlin diplomats brought up in the cold war days under Joseph Stalin ... AP

Belgrade, Feb 12.—President Tito's condition remained un-

changed, his doctors reported tonight. The 87-year-old Presi-

President Tito

unchanged

cold war d Stalin,—AP.

Over the last week there had

been more persistent buying of the shares on the London Stock Exchange. On Monday, Gold Fields asked for the assistance of the Department of Trade, under section 172 of the 1948 Companies Act, to pinpoint the owners of the shares. There was relief in mining circles, especially in Johannes-burg, when the news broke that Anglo-American and not the much-rumoured Afrikaner interests represented by General Mining had bought the stake in Gold Fields.

Fields of South Africa, Con-solidated's 46 per cent-owned South African mining subsi-diary, which rose sharply from R77 (£40) to R84 after the an-

Anglo's moves had been made through its diamond mining associate, De Beers Con-solidated Mines, which is flush with cash an dhas access to funds outside South Africa's exchange control regulations. De Beers said it had bought 7,430,000 shares in Gold Fields and had secured options on a further, 7,430,000 shares and old Fields. 5,220,000 shares from two other This was reflected in the parties, equivalent to 13.4 per

says the chances of achieving satisfactory growth are slim

over the next few years.

The year 1980 could open a decade of economic opportunity for Britain based on North Sea oil but to take that advan-

tage the Government must end its doctrinaire obsession with

£1,000. Higher rates of tax thresholds should stay as they

equity capital.

De Beers also purchased another 16,500,000 shares in the London market yesterday which, combined with first refusal on a further 1,300,000 shares from a third party, takes the overall holding of De Beers to just over 25 per cent. Shares in Gold Fields movde

sharply yesterday rising to 615p at one stage before dropping back to close 6p down at 515p. Half of the De Beers bolding will be transferred to Anglo-American, and De Beers stressed it would not buy furher shares which, under the

Continued on page 17, col 5

Government delays union curb plans

By Fred Emery Political Editor

The announcement of the Government's keenly awaited proposals for curbing trade union luminaties in secondary industrial action has been postponed for a second time because of ministerial inability to agree. The issue will not now be

decided at a critical meeting of ministers today, but will go before the full Cabinet tomor-row, where the outcome is still authoritatively seen as hanging in the balance, between the hard-liners and the moderates. Even when the Cabinet has

reached a final decision, more time would be needed to complete a draft of the Green Paper, and to give a first sight of that to the Commons standing committee, which is considering the employment Bill. That information emerged last

night on the eve of today's critical Cabinet committee meet-ing, which, with the Prime Minister in the chair, will consider the latest draft proposals by Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment.

university

From Peter Nichols
Rome, Feb 12
Signor Victorio Bacheler was
not a dramatic personality. The
three terrorists today gave this
leading figure among the
country's judicial authorities a
purposely dramatic end by
killing him on the steps of the
university faculty where he
taught, a matter of yards
away from the hall in which
a meeting was taking place on
the problem of terrorism.
To be shot in the highly
charged atmosphere of Rome's

10 be shot in the highly charged aumosphere of Rome's University has symbolically great significance; but he was also vice-chairman of the Higher Judicial Council, the judiciary's self-governing body which has the head of state as its president

President Pertini went im-President Pertini went immediately to the university on hearing the news of the shorting shortly before midday. He spent some 20 minutes by the body of the man with whom he had worked closely and had seen last on Thursday when they had talked about the allegatons made by a Christian Democratic senator and former judge who had accused some 10 Rome judges of collusion with terrorism.

Public opinion had in fact been expecting some ventur by

been expecting some ventur by the terrorists in reply to President Pertini's speech in Padua on Friday. Inaugurating the academic year in a city among the worst hit by violence and terrorism, President Pertini had spoken of the rejection of ter-rorism as a new resistance movement. The killing today of Signor Bachelet was seen by some o fthe teaching staff at

some of the teaching start at Rome University as a "perverted reply" to the head of state's call to do battle with terrorism.

agreeable self last night at a party given by the Italian Embassy to the Holy See to mark the anniversary of the Lateran Pacts. He was a staunch Catholic highly respected as much lic, highly respected as much with those who disagreed with him as with his associates. He would have been 54 tomorrow week. Two brothers are Jesuits and he leaves a widow and two

children.
From 1964 to 1973 he was chairman of the Catholic Action movement where he applied the new thinking of the Vatican Council to this biggest and in some ways most controversial of Catholic lay organizations. He taught administrative law in the faculty of political sciences at Rome University and had previously taught the subject in Triesta and basis.

Trieste and Paria.

The Pope promptly sent a telegram of condolence to the widow. Vatican radio broadcast a series of tributes to him.
Cardinal Ballestrero, the chairman of the National Episcopal
Conference, virtually limited his
comment to the words of Jesus calting for pardon for his executioners "because they know not what they do".

The supposedly extreme left-wing Red Brigades terrorist group claimed responsibility for the killing in enonymous tele-phone calls to two newspaper offices. The news was received at the Chamber of Deputies with incredulary. The trade unions immediately called a general strike of two hours tomorrow

for public services.

They are organizing a demonstration of protest at the university. Signor Bachelet had as Continued on page 6, col 4

Leading article, page 15 New Soames power can 'strike off' voters

Salisbury, Feb 12 Lord Soames, Governor of Southern Rhodesia, today assumed further powers to deal with the intimidation of voters. They are set out in an ordinance and will enable him to disenfranchise voters in areas where intimidation is considered severe enough to prevent a free

and fair election. A British spokesman here said the Governor hoped he would not have to use the power, intended as a final warning to the parties to control their activists. He would watch the position over the next 10 to 14 days.

If the new measure is applied it would effectively cancel the election in the districts con-

In the event of such orders being issued, there would be no polling booths or public meetings in the specific areas. and the use of buses and other transport to take voters to other

But in theory there is no bar on voters walking to polling stations in other areas.

ris armoury. Lord Soumes is also taking a considerable risk with this measure because the list of areas where intimidation is said

other areas would be forbidden.

"The Governor is trying to roll back the frontiers of intimidation", the spokesman said. There were many areas where it was impossible for all the comparison freely and parties to campaign freely and the Governor regarded the extra wwer as essential to complete

to be at its worst, read out by the spokesman tonight, unfor-tunately happen to be almost exclusively districts where the radical Zanu (PF) party of Mr Robert Mugale is strongest.

Even if it is true that the Zanu (PF) party expect to win most seats, it has more violent supporters than any other and is also the target of more vio-lence and assassination attempts

than any other. The risk for the British, therefore, is that if the emergency powers are used they may become rods for their own backs the arrangement of the property of the

the new powers. They also agreed that the chanting of slogans and singing, which could easily develop into intimi-dation, should be barred within a certain radius of politing

STRETOUS. British sources indicated that there may soon be further bannings of individuals or parties in certain cases under last week's powers, so far used only once—against the treasurer of Zanu (PF).

therefore, is that if the emergency powers are used they may become rods for their own backs by appearing, to some, to be distrintinating against Mr Mugabe's party.

The election council, on which all parties are represented, met today to be told of the came (FF).

Lord Soames received Mr Joshua Nkomo, leader of the particitic Front (PF), for a general exchange of views, which were described as friendly, and during which Mr Nkomo complained about the level of intimidation by other parties.

TUC seeks cut in lower rate of tax domestic product this year, and

Trade union leaders are to urge the Government to reduce the lower rate of income tax to 20p in the f and abandon its doctrinaire obsession with

monetary policy".

These are the two main recommendations in TUC proposals for an alternative policy to the Cabinet's economic strategy. They wil libe pur to Sir Genffrey Howe, QC, Chancellor of the Exchequer, before his Budget on February 27.

The ideas are outlined in a final confidential draft of the TUC's 1980 economic review the formula of the trace of the should stay as they final confidential draft of the TUC's 1980 economic review to be considered by union

to be considered by union leaders this morning. A chapter is devoted to a critique of monetarism called for by the TUC Tonomic Committee after it saw the first draft.

The review is candidly funded by the Government and financial institutions; greater support for the National Enterpeople living standards will fall this year and only the "rich an dsuper rich" can look forward to sustaining their way of life.

The TUC's alternative strateev

The TUC's alternative strategy is "a move away from confron-tation" towards agreement on a whole range of policies de-signed to achieve greater em-ployment economic growth, stable prices and a balance of payments surplus. If the Government holds to

its present course, the unions see unemployment rising, certainly to 1.6 million this year and possibly 2 million by 1981; falling industrial output, accelthe balance of payments. erating inflation and a deficit on

market forces can provide the means for allocating resources

porary import controls to pro-tect British industry, and less restrictive guidelines for the Welsh and Scottish develop-

The TUC adds: "The Govern-

ment agencies.

ment slaims that public expendi-ture is at the beart of Britain's present economic difficulties, but offers no evidence to sub-stantiate this. It would be more accurate to say that the lack of public spending is a problem. The Government should return to policies of planning a level of public borrowing and The document says: "The monetary expansion in relation corresponding the money supply will in the economy. An expansionnot work. The idea that competition and the free play of to reverse the slump."

The TUC economic review is the first to appear since the Callaghan administration lost office last May. Labour Chanmeans for allocating resources is naive".

The TUC warns against office last May. Labour Chandra of the dangerous talk among ministers of removing legal immunities from trade unions that have existed since 1906. It suggests that there will be a two per cent fall in Britain's gross the first to appear since the first to appear si

Diamond 8.86 cts Diamond 11.91 cts The Garrard Catalogue will be sent on request. RRAThe Crown Jewellers

Iranians seek arms deal with Britain An Iranian military team has ended

An Iranian military team has ended discussions in Whitehalf on the possible resumption of British arms sales to Tehran. It was the third series of arms talks between the two countries during the last nine months and reflects Iran's ambition to rebuild its shattered forces as a counter to reflects Iran's ambition to rebuild its shattered forces as a counter to internal opposition and external aggression. It is thought that if the American hostages in Tehran are released safely and quickly the resumption of arms supplies might be possible within 12 months Page 6

Farm price plea Mr Roy Jenkins, President of the

European Commission, has warned the European Parliament that failure to cut agricultural expenditure in money as well as real terms in the EEC spring price package could endanger the existence of the common agricultural policy in its present form

Petrol prices may rise by 5p

Petrol prices could rise by as much as 5p a gallon of four star after British Petroleum's decision to increase its Forties, North Sea, oil by \$4 (£1.74) a barrel to \$33.75. This puts British oil prices among the most expensive in the world, and is effective from February 8. The British National Oil Corporation is expected to fix its prices at \$33.75 a barrel

Page 17 School radio spared

The BBC has rejected proposals for a 50 per cent cut in continuing education radio in terms of air time and resources and an 18 per cent cut in school radio. Education will not suffer a disproportionate level of economies in the Budget. in the Budget

Ceasefire collapses

The shaky ceasefire in southern Lebanon, which was negotiated by the United Nations last August, has finally collapsed after an intense artillery bombardment which lasted two days. The collapse raises again the possibility of Israeli intervention on behalf of the Christian minority

Doctors' house calls Missiles for TA for £50 a year London Locums, a company providing a deputising service for doctors, plans to provide house-visit services

to cover everyone in a subscriber's home. Availability of doctors for 24 hours, seven days a week would cost £50 a year Page 3 Moves for talks on

water strike threat Urgent attempts are being made to

Soviet call to Allies An indication that Moscow expects its East European allies to tighten

reopen talks on the strike threatened reopen takes on the satisfe to reatened by water and sewerage workers from February 25. Unions and employers agreed that a meeting should be held but no date has been settled Page 2

discipline and speak with one voice was given by Mr Mikhail Suslov, a Soviet Politburo member. He told the Polish Communist Party conference in Warsow that it was imperiative to " strengthen our lines " Page 6

An order worth more than 520m is expected soon from the Ministry of Defence for Blowpipe anti-aircraft missiles for the Territorial Army. The order will reinforce the TA & combat role Page 4 Union school: The TUC plans to set up a £1m centre to provide courses for Britain's 500,000 shop stewards union officers, and safety repre-

Prescription death: The chemist who made up a prescription that led to a child's death was reprimanded by the Pharmaceurical Society Paris: M Jaques Chirac, the Gaullist

leader, faces the press for the first time for a year to correct his image as an impulsive, hotheaded and

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Urgent attempts to restart talks on water strike threat

By David Felton Labour Reporter

Urgent attempts were being made last night to reopen negotiations on the threatened strike by water and sewerage workers. Unions and employers agreed that a meeting should be held but no date has yet been fixed.

While arrangements were being made, the National Water Council, the employers' organization, repeated its call for a ballot to be held of the 22,000 members of the General and Municipal Workers' Union (GMWU) who have threatened to strike from February 25.

The council said: "We believe that there is sufficient evidence of enough people wanting to accept the offer, for the union to hold a ballot and we have told the union we will provide whatever assistance is necessary for a ballot to be

The spokesman said some workers in the industry were surprised when they heard that a strike had been called hecause they thought the 19.2 per cent pay offer was acceptable. The council said the main areas of discontent with the strike call were the Midlands and North West. Mr Edmund Newall, GMWU

national officer, said there was no need to for a ballot after the members' views had been made known at a special delegate conference on Monday which

conference, whose job it is to represent our members in the industry, the members views were made known, Mr. Newall said.

If there had not been the degree of unanimity there was at the meeting, I would have had doubts over whether it was representative. But after that decision there is no doubt in my mind that the conference

was representative. The 527m offer, which would increase the basic rate for a 40hour week to 265 and push up weekely average earnings by more than £17 to nearly £108, is being put to members of three other unions in the in-

dustry.

The leadership of the National Union of Public Employees, the agricultural workers and the Transport and General Workers' Union have recommended that the offer he accepted but results of their consultations will probably not be known until next week.

This poses a problem for any further negotiations if those unions are to be involved, and discussions between the four unions will be taking place over

the next few days.

In the meantime Mr David
Basnett, GMWU general secrespecial meeting of his executive to consider the water workers' call for the strike to be made official.

Mr Newall yesterday sent roted almost unanimously to urgent messages to his mem-reject the offer. urgent messages to his mem-bers instructing them not to "The fact of the matter is take unofficial action.

Mrs Thatcher shows a steely resolve

Parliamentary Correspondent Westminster

If Mrs Thatcher is having self into a frency over her war-ring Cabinet, there was no evidence of that in the Commons yesterday, as she struck out to right and left with appurently little regard for the sensitivities of her more emotional col-

Indeed, the Prime Minister seemed almost to be going out of her way to show how robustly she was standing up to the strife and strain of high office. With ministers reportedly only too ready to garrotte each other in the darker recesses of

ing rate, she turned the tables neatly on the Leader of the Opposition when he spoke of the MLR rise last June to 15 per cent. It was in fact 14 per cent, the Prime Minister re-marked acidly. But she went on, referring to the Labour leader's suggestion on Monday for settling the steel strike, Mr Callaghan of course did not

care "a twopenny damn" about 1 per cent She pointed out that the process of reducing public expen-diture so that the nation could liv ewithin its means, after liv-ing beyond its means for so long under Labour, would be "distinctly uncomfortable". But the Government would continue to pursue that policy, she added with emphasis.

As Mr Callaghan weakly sug-gested that all this meant that small businesses could expect no help, Mrs Thatcher snapped back that her Government was the only one likely to pursue a policy which would bring the nation to live within its means. uncouth from the depths of the Labour Front Bench Perhaps It was the third fire there this the former Chancellor was year.

referring to himself, she sug-gested, as the mutterings con-tinued. Surely he could not argue with the fact that there was a high increase in public expenditure last year. The new Conservative Government had to attempt to reduce that expen-diture and when it succeeded the interest rate would go down. More splutterings from Mr Healey.

Mrs Thatcher had much the same message for the water workers, the steel workers and British Leland. They were left in no doubt that however jellified Her Cabinet colleagues were becoming over the state of the nation and industrial relations, there would be no more Government handouts for already highly-paid employees

the corridors of power, the Iron
Maiden showed no signs of
being smelted in the political
blast furnace.

As Mr Callaghan tried to
goad her into indiscretions
over the sufferings of small
businessmen writing under
the lash of the minimum lending rate, she turned the tables increases being demanded would have to be met by people who had far less in their pay packets. She pointed out that the offer being made was in excess of the ward nice index

On British Leyland, she hoped that the men would not take industrial action, adding that already some £1,000m had gone

into the company.
On steel, the Prime Minister congratulated the employees of Sheerness Steel, who had exer-cised their lawful right to continue to earn a living for themselves and their families.

It was noticeable, Mrs
Thatcher said, that private
sector steel, operating in the
same world, was able to make a
profit, while the British Steel
Corporation was making heavy
losses. If British Steel wished might otherwise be closed, to the private sector, that would be an excellent solution and there would be no objection from the Government.

Arson suspected

A fire which caused damage of £1,000 at the Prince Maurice She then turned on Mr Denis of £1,000 at the Prince Maurice Hetaley, who was muttering barracks, Devizes, Wikshire, something unkind and probably yesterday might have been started deliberately, police said.

BL chairman attacked scheme

Midlands Industrial

BL will not give details of the total to be laid off until shop stewards have been told at each of the affected plants.

of the engineering industry in the West Midkaids was involved

Widespread lay-offs by component supptiers seem mevi-table. Ford, Vauxhall and Talbot .UK are all reported to have reduced their supply schedules in expectation of a sbarp fall in British demand for

ing component manufacturer said last night: When a mar-ket leader such as Ford starts to make significant cuts in its order schedules we know that

order schedules we know that we are in for a rough time." Several component firms had started laying off men.

Nearly 6,000 BL workers were laid off last night because of unofficial suikes at two plants.

A walk-out by 70 gearbox assemblers at BL Cardiff stopped production of Rover saloons at Solibull and TR7 sports cars at Triumph Covensports cars at Triumph Coven-uy. The Rover men refused to carry parts by hand when a mechanical track broke down.

At Jaguar Coventry a strike
by 400 workers protesting at a
new wage-grading system alhalted production saloons.

Man questioned as car injures

A man was being interviewed by police last night after three pickets were knocked down in a hit-and-run incident outside the Lucas CAV factory at Ipswich. The incident came as 250 production workers walked out in

after treatment at lpswich hospital for severe leg bruising.

for lay-off

Correspondent . .

that tens of thousands of BL workers are to be laid off because of tite company's falling

Most of the anger was directed at Sir Michael Edwardes, BL chairman, and workers fear that he will soon announce redundancies above the 25,000, and 13 plant closures, in his recovery plan.

Mr William Jordan, Midlands

Mr William Jordan, Midiands divisional organizer of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, said: "I think any other manager would have exposed the myth that he is the saviour of the car industry".

the unemployment rate in the West Midlands will rise well above the national average. It is clear that Edwardes is not the right man for the job because he is not a motor-car

pickets at Lucas

Two of the pickets received minor injuries. A third, Mr Peter Goody, aged 36, of Hadleigh, near Ipswich, went home

By Clifford Webb

Trade unionists responded angrily last night to the news

He claimed that the lay-offs were part of a management plan to soften up the work force to make them more "pliable".

Mr John Barker, the Transport and General Workers' Union official at Longbridge, said: "If this trend contrinues the memployment rate in the

man."

Mr Edward McGarry, the TGWU convenor at Triumph Coventry, one of the plants marked for closure, said: "We are very angry. This is a tragic mistake by management. Only yesterday they were saying that the Buy British sales campaign was going well".

Mr Stephen Rankin, Midlands director of the Confederation of British Industry , said the repercussions could be very serious since about 30 per cent of the engineering industry in

cars this year.

It is difficult to see how BL can continue to take normal supplies when it is facing a serious cash flow difficulty.

A senior executive of a lead-

a dispute over the upgrading of a worker to foreman. Pickets said a car mounted the pave-ment and struck the men before

Policemen pinning pickets to the wall as non-strikers report for work at the private sector steel plant of Hadfields in Sheffield yesterday. Acas move to break

Leaders of the two unions that called the national steel strike are to meet top officials of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitation tration Service today in a fresh attempt to get peace talks mov-ing with the British Steel Cor-

The talks will involve Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the dominant Iron and Steel Trades Confederation (ISTC), and Mr Hector Smith, general secretary of the National Union of Blastfurnacemen, who have rejected BSC's final offer of 14.4 per cent increases tied to changed working practices and

changed working practices and productivity improvement.

But the unions were last night playing down the significance of the meeting, which was arranged at the request of Acas. The two union leaders simply "feel it is courteous to go along", an ISTC official said. The cautious reopening of ex-ploratory discussions on possible solutions to the strike, which today enters its seventh week, comes as the steelworkers union takes steps to mount a High Court action aimed at halt-

ing British Steel's plant closure programme. Solicitors representing the ISTC have taken out a writ against BSC management alleging that they have failed in their seateurory duties laid down by tehe 1967 Act nationalizing the industry to consult the unions

on matters affecting them. The union seeks an injunction restraining the corporation from closing any plant and from acting on any conclusions reached in BSC's wide-ranging

steel deadlock today

tions.
The corporation said last night that it considered it had more than adequately met its statutory duties on the question of consultation over closures. It was pointed our that the steel-workers had broken off consul-tations on November,

The provisional deal covering 70,000 craft and general workers in the industry upon which so many hopes rest as a solution to the strike has been rejected by one of the largest unions in state steel. Lay delegates representing about 16,000 workers belonging to the Transport and belonging to the Transport and General Workers' Union (TGWU) voted two-to-one not to accept the pay and produc-

tivity package.

The decision is a serious blow to BSC hopes that the draft settlement for craft and general workers would provide a formula to get the two main unions to end their shutdown of the

The TGWU is to have talks with outher unions involved in the negotiation of the deal. The the negotiation of the two largest of those, the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers and the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing munication and Plumbing Union, yesterday decided to recommend acceptance when delegates meet in London to-

Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary said in a written reply that 136 pickets had been arrested between January 2, when the strike began, and February 9. Business News, page 19 due to meet on Friday.

In the Commons yesterday,

Coal pledge fails to lift strike threat

From Tim Jones Cardiff

Miners' leaders in South Wales were adamant yesterday that the British Steel Corporation's plan to import less coking coal would not affect the miners' commitment for a strike

in five weeks.
Mr Emlyn Williams, president
of the South Wales' miners, said that the plan for the National Coal Board to subsidize coal by £22m did nothing to swert the possibility of pit closures in that area if BSC proceeded with plans to halve steel production.

"The coal board is merely subsidizing this deal to the cost of investment in the industry elsewhere. As far as we are concerned nothing has

changed, and our commitment towards all-out action remains," Mr Williams said. But he added that the miners would continue to be guided by the Wales TUC. As the South Wales steelmen's artitude to the strike bardened vesterday Mr John Foley, divi-

sional officer of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation said

that his men wanted to with-

draw safety cover at all British

steelworks. He said that the move was "an expression of the frustra-tion and bitterness of the men." because of the way BSC handled pay negotiations last Friday.
According to Mr Foley.
several hundred men are still
providing cover at the Llanwern

His demand for the withdrawal of safety cover will be considered by the union's central strike committee, who are

Advertisements call on workers to go back

Private-sector steel producers today launch a national adver-tising campaign designed to encourage their employees to return to work.

The 20,000 members of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, employed by about 50 steel manufacturers affiliated to the British Independent Steel

Producers' Association, were ordered to rejoin the strike in support of their BSC colleagues after a House of Lords decision. The employers had secured injunctions in the Court of Appeal to prevent their nembers being brought out but the decision was reversed in the Lords. The independent steel companies have clasmed that their workers had no will to join the strike and said that if companies closed, several would not reopen.

Mr John Paterson, the association's president, estimated that the strike by private-sector ISTC workers is causing losses of £10m a week. Cracks in the private sector support for the strike have already appeared. At the weekend, workers at Hadfields plant in Sheffield voted to return to work and workers at the Norwegian-owned Manchester Steel are due to return today. Employees of a Midlands steel company, Lloyd Cooper, are also expected to return today and the arvertising cam-paign is being complemented

by discussions at plact level between management employee representatives. The advertisement, which consists of questions and enswers makes the points that

the private ector is not in dis-pute with the ISTC, that the strike is a dispute between the union and the BSC, and that private-sector involvement is not only losing workers their wages, but also threatening

Against the background of a writ issued yesterday by the ISTC against the BSC over alleged lack of consultation in the corporation's plant-closure programme, a report was pub-lished on possibilities of estab lishing worker-owned enter-prisees at Corby, where 5,500 iron and steelmaking jobs are being phased out.

being phased out.

The report, published by Job Ownership Ltd and commissioned by the Corby Development Corporation and the Tubes Division of BSC, outlined a two-stage strategy companies at Corby. The first would involve setting up a worker ownership office in the worker ownership office in the town for six months to possibilities. It would be financed either by Job Ownership or the Government's Co-operative Development Agency.

Scrap merchants' plea: Britain's scrap merchants, who have become more dependent upon exports because of the steel stike, have urged the Government to continue until June their freedom to sell abroad (Edward Townsend abroad writes).

Restrictions on scrap exports were lifted in September and the British Scrap Federation said yesterday it had reached agreement with United Kingdom consumers for the freedom from export licencing to be

Thirteen striking pickets held by police

Sheffield

Thirteen pickets were arrested yesterday during brushes with police at the main gate of Had-fields, the Sheffield independent steelmaker at which the 2,800-strong workforce decided to withdraw from the national steel strike and resume normal working two days ago.

Pickts drawn mainly from strike-bound British Steel plants in Rotherham have maintained a strong, if variable, presence at the works since Monday, more to ensure that Mr Derek Norton, Hadfield's chairman, kept his word not to move any finished products out of the factory than to prevent the workers getting in

In the first of two incidents yesterday more than 500 pickets broke ranks and blocked the gates as a large lorry loaded with scrap steel prepared to

of 150 police to hold them mended that the company back. There were scuffles, fly-should be exempted from the ing helmets, and five arrests.

Union officials restored order
by announcing that the lorry

Hadfields's chairman. But the driver had decided not to leave. In a second incident, during which there were eight arrests, a large body of reinforcements advanced on the gates and tried with some success to break the

police cordon. The police later

sealed the area by placing a four-dee pline of officers with linked arms across the factory approach road. The return to work by Hadfields men has generated widespread ill-feeling among the local steel strike committee, which was relying on solid support from the private sector for the 42-day state steel

stoppage.
Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the Iron and Steel

leave overwhelming the efforts. Trades Confederation, recom- in privately-owned steel works of 150 police to hold them mended that the company to return to work is gathering South Yorkshire Strike Com- owned Manchester Steel Group, mittee is refusing to recognize returned to work yesterday any dispensation for the com- after a vote at the weekend. any dispensation for the com-

South Yorkshire delegates to be the subject of heavy are calling for a motion of no picketing by federation strikers confidence in Mr Sirs at a from British Steel plants, but meeting this week of the not one picket was visible when federation's national executive the Bidston Steel men arrived committee for his handling of the Hadfields issue.

The Confederation of Shipbuilding and Enigeering Unions overwhelming majority to regave a warning in Sheffield yesterday the widespread lay-offs. Our correspondent at Mold were likely by the end of this, writes: The end of an era was week as the engineering indutry began to run short of steel. mation by the British Steel R. W. Shakespeare, Northern Corporation that steelmaking Industrial Correspondent, would not be resumed writes: The move by strikers: Shotton after the strike.

momentum in the Norht-west.
Yesterday 120 men from the
Bidston Steel plant at Birkenhead, part of the Norwegian-

Stockport have also voted by an

reached yesterday with confir-

increasing fresh; max temp 10° to 11°C (50° to 52°F).

Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man. SW, NE Scotland, Glasgow, central Highlands, Moray Firth, Orkney: sanny intervals, becoming cloudy with rain during evening: wind SW moderate to fresh, increasing strong, locally gale: max temp 8° to 10°C (46° to 50°F).

NE England, Borders, Edin-burgh, Dundee, Aberdeen: Sunny periods, becoming cloudy with rain: wind SW moderate, increas-

ing fresh to strong; max temp 8" to 9"C (46" to 48"F).

Argyll. NW Scotland. N Ireland :

Sunny intervals, becoming cloudy with rain; wind SW fresh, increasing strong to gale; max temp 7° to 9°C (45° to 48°F).

Shetland: Supply intervals, be-coming cloudy; wind 5W, fresh to strong; max temp 7°C (45°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Continuing mild with rain at times, but also drier periods with some sunshine.

Weather forecast and recordings

Union solidarity impressed on Mr Callaghan

By Our Political Correspondent-Mr James Callaghan, Leader the Opposition, discussed steel strike for 90 minutes last night with Mr William of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, and Mr Hector Smith, of the National Union of Blastfurnacemen Mr Michael Foot, deputy leader of the Labour Party, and Mr. John Silkin, the shadow Minister for Industry, were also present. The Labour leaders were

The Labour leaders were left in no doubt about the solidarity of the unions are there was no sign of any weakening in their resistance to the present British Steel Corporation offer. For their part, Mr Callaghan and his colleague concluded that the time was not right for any dramatic moves.

Ships diverted as London dockers strike

By Our Labour Staff London's three enclosed docks were idle for a second day yesterday because of a strike over pay by 1,100 dockers. Attempts were being made last night to bring the unions and employers together to try

to solve the dispute.

The strikers belong to the National Amalgamated Steve-dores' and Dockers' Union and most of the 3,300 dockers who are members of the Transport and General Workers' Union Continent.

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are refusing to cross picket

Eight vessels were lying unloaded in the India and Millwall docks, the Royal group and Til-bury docks, but dockers at the container berths and grain terminal at Tilbury, which are covered by different pay agree-

ments, were working normally. Because of the stirke shipowners are diverting their vessels away from London to

other ports in Britain or on the

an inadequate reply to the union's claim for about 30 per

Mr Leslie Newman, general secretary of the stevedores' union, said vesterday that the employers' 12 per cent offer was

"With a lot of our members earning £61 a week net, 12 per cent does not produce much of an increase", he said. "The erployers say that they cannot afford a bigger increase, bu equally our people cannot afford to live on £61", he said.

14.6% pay offer to printing unions, but no shorter week By Our Labour Staff Employers in the printing in-

dustry and provincial news-papers last night made a 14.6 per cent pay offer to the unions, linked to changes in working practices. The employers refused to conrine employers retused to con-cede a claim by the three main printing unions for a reduction of the working week to 37; hours but held out a prospect of some movement on hours if the unions agree to drop some strict demarcation lines.

workers and would increase the minimum grade rate by £7.79 a week to just over £61. Minimum earnings, including a supplementary payment, would rise to 270 a week.

The offer covers 118,000

Association, the Society of Graphical and Allied Trades, and the National Society of Operative Printers, Graphical and Media Personnel agreed to consider the offer and a further meeting is to be held there. meeting is to be held next

that the employers had made any movement on the Proposals for changed working arrangements are unlikely

Union negotiators represent- as a first step towards the 35ing the National Graphical hour week.

The unions had placed great

emphasis on reducing the 40-hour week in their claim and were disappointed last night

to meet with approval by the unions, who jealously guard their craftsmen's positions.

The unions' claim was for a 28 per cent increase in basic rates and the 37! hour week

Today

Sun rises: Sun sets: 7.20 am 5.11 pm Moon rises: Moon sets: 5.01 am 1.54 pm New Moon : February 16. . Lighting up: 5.41 pm to 6.48 sm. High Water: London Bridge, 11.02 am, 6.0m: 11.36 pm, 6.3m. Avonmouth, 4.10 am, 10.8m: 4.45 Acommouth, 4.10 am, 10.5m; 4.45 pm, 11.3m, Dover, 8.19 am, 5.5m; 8.56 pm, 5.8m, Hull, 3.25 am, 6.0m; 3.50 pm, 6.3m, Liverpool, 8.38 am, 8.0m; 9.08 pm, 8.2m, 1.15-0.2045m; 9.08 pm, 8.2m,

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becoming drier with sunny periods, cloudy during evening; wind SW, moderate; max temp-10° to 41°C Midlands, SW. central N Eng-

(E): Wind SW moderate; s St George's Channel, Irish Sea! Wind SW moderate, increasing strong, perhaps gale; sea slight,

becoming rough Yesterday

London: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm. 11°C (52°F); min 6 pm to 6 pm. 7°C (45°F). Humidity 6 pm. 69 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 6 pm. oil. Sun. 24 hr to 6 pm. 2.3 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm., 1023.0 millibars, falling.
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Overseas selling prices

Many spoilt papers in 'double' elections

By George Clark

Political Correspondent

Detailed returns for the last general election tend to disprove the argument of some politicians that it would have been a good idea to hold the general election as well as local government and European Pariament elections on the same

The returns, published yesterday, show that in those areas Expenses shows that candidates where the local government in the general election in May, elections were held on the same day as the general elec-tion, more than 60,000 bailor papers, or 0.3 per cent of the votes cast, were rejected because people voted for more than one candidate in the gen-eral election ballot. That was twice the rate of rejection in

people came to vote in the Parliamentary election.

The total number of ballot

papers rejected in the count for the general election was 117,843. The most frequent reason for rejection was that people voted for more than one candidate (72,515 ballot papers). The Return of Election

1979, spent about £35m, nearly £1.4m more than in the October, 1974 election. That was an increase of 65 per cent in cash but a decrease of 15 per cent real terms, allowing for inflation. There were 2,576 candidates for the 635 seats in the House of

used for the two ballots, that October, 1974, those totalled may have led to confusion when £93,000. The returns show that in total the candidates in May, 1979,

spent about 81p per person on the electoral role, compared with 51p a tthe October, 1974, election, but it was a decrease of 20 per cent in real terms, In the 1979 election, printing and stationery, accounted for more than 80 per cent of the total expenditure of candidates, nearly 53m. The next largest item of expenditure was £176,000 for election agents, compared with £103,000

Several National Front can-

didates declared that their elec-

tion costs came to only £1, or

small sums up to £12.

One Liberal candidate. Mr WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair, r, G. M. R. Willmott, at Manches-

London, SE, central S, E England, East Anglia, B Midlands, Channel Islands: occasional rain,

and sunny periods, becoming Sea passages; S North Sea. cloudy later; wind, SW, moderate, Strait of Dover, English Channel

ter, Central, kept his total expenses down to £1. Mr. J. N. W. Fox, who stood as "The Silly Party" at Dover and Deal, spent £10 on his campaign and received 642 votes. Return of Election Expenses, May 1979 (Stationery Office, E5.75). before the end of February. So get round to your travel agent areas where only the parlia-mentary election was held. Commons at the May, 1979, elec-Straight away, and assuadous our prices. Pyrenees. You won't believe our prices. History and assuadous our prices. straight away, and asic about our Best Buys to the Spanish tion, compared with 2,252 in In many of the local govern-The impact of inflation is ment elections the voter was shown by the fact that candiallowed to choose as many as three candidates from a list of six or more and, although Thomson dates spent £132,000 on per-sonal expenses like accommodadifferent coloured paper was tion and travelling; but in مكنامن الأعل

Company plans all-day TUC plans doctors' house call service for £50 a year

By John Roper Health Services Correspondent Health Services Correspondent
A private company which provides a deputizing service for family doctors took a big step towards expanding private medical care by announcing yesterday a 24-hour house visiting medical service to cover everyone in a subscriber's home.

home.

Initially the service, Medicover, will reach 32 districts in north and north-west London list organizers, London Locums, will from March 1 make available for 24 hours, seven days a week a visit from a qualified doctor at a cost of \$50 a year, plus \$5 for each visit.

For £30 a year, the same service is offered from 7 pm to 7 am from Monday to Friday and from 7 pm on Fridays to 7 am on Mondays. The £5 visiting fee includes the initial supply of any drugs needed.

The doctor will give the

ply of any drugs needed.

The doctor will give the patient a clinical report in a scaled envelope for the patient to give to his own family doctor. The subscriptions cover all members of a household, including visitors or anyone resident at the time of their illness.

London Locums Ltd is associated with Selective Audio Messages Ltd, which in the last eight years has developed a countrywide network of telecommunication and mobile radio communication services. Visiting doctors will use chauf-feur-driven radio cars provided

vide a basic personal history which will be stored on a com-puter and those details will be made available to a Medicover doctor on his way to answer a call.

Dr Morris Seifert, a general practitioner and a director of Medicover, said that he was sure that family doctors would welcome the idea. Many patients needed little more than reassurance.

But Dr John Hayard, secretary of the British Medical Association, said: "The system of medical care in this country depends upon the general practitioner having overall responsibility for his parions. In condebility for his patient. In order to safeguard patients, import-ant ethical guide have been

"These new proposals strike at the foundations of general practice, undermining the very service which the organizers of service which the organizers of this scheme say that they support. It presupposes that patients may be given treatment by a doctor who is entirely ignorant of the treatment being given by the patients own GP."

Mr Raymond Francis, joint managing director of the Lon-don Locums, said a full-time ployed and there was a waiting list of doctors ready to give their services. All applicants had to sarisfy a medical panel that they had the necessary qualifications.

He expected that parients would first ring their own general practitioners. If assistance was not available, they Patients will be asked to pro- could then turn to Medicover.

for union education

By Our Education
Correspondent
The TUC plan to set up a
£1m national centre for trade union education to provide courses for the estimated 500,000 shop stewards, union officers and safety representatives in Britain.

The centre, premises for which have yet to be found, will be partly financed through loans from unions affiliated to the TUC. The Association of Scientific, Technical and Mana-gerial Stuffs, of which Mr Clive Jenkins, chairman of the TUC education committee, is general secretary, has offered a loan of £250,000 at 12 per cent in-

Mr Jenkins, announcing plans for the centre in London yesterday, said that there had been a revolution in the education department of the TUC-tion department of the TUC-over the past five years. The TUC had developed a scheme of training which this year would provide places for 50,000 shop stewards and full-time officials, but there was an increasing demand for more places.

The proposed new centre is expected to have residential places for about 100 students, and will include training in collective bargaining, employment law, company accounts, industrial tribunals, relationships with the media, industrial democracy and new technology. The Government has provided £1.5m this year for TUC educa-



Three Shrewsbury School pupils displaying a car for the disabled which, with two school friends, they designed and which is to be commercially produced.

NFU to defend battery farming against militant critics

By Our Agriculture Correspondent Farmers decided yesterday to

launch a quick defence of battery methods of producing Oxfordshire, said that activists poultry and animals. The decision was announced by the National Farmers' Union in London after members had Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelt yto Animals.

outmanoeuvred by militant welfare campaigners.

Mr Roy Brown, a 'broiler chicken farmer from Bicester. Oxfordshire, said that activists had infiltrated political parnes and the veterinary profession and bad almost taken over the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelt yto Animals.

"It is the fauntics who get the welfarists. They are very much awake while the union sisceps."

Mr Alan Jackson, vice-president of the NFU, said that the union had avoided public arguments about welfare for many years, but was about to join in. It was fulle to try to start a debate with extremis s.

Thousands of children miss classes

More than 15,300 pupils at 13 secondary schools in Avon were affected yesterday by a third week of strike action by 330 members of the National Union of Teachers in protest against £4m cuts in the Education Bill. More than 7,600 children missed classes. The remainder—mostly senior pupils preparing for examinations worked with teachers from other unions.

This week's strike is for three

This week's strike is for three days. A fourth week of strike action is planned but details will not be released until the teachers learn the outcome of a meeting of the county's education committee in Bristol on Friday.

Mr Jack Evans a union leader said in Bristol: "We hope the committee will come forward with some proposals in view of the serious situation affecting the education of children in Appe dren in Avon.

The teachers believe that on extra 25 teachers could end the dispute, which is mainly over falling staffing levels. Aven Education Committe says, have-ever, that money is not avail-

able.

About 12.000 purils were sent home in the Rotherham area because members of the National Union of Teachers are refusing to teach classes of more than 30, cover for calleagues and supervise at luncions.

Nearly 90,000 children in Northamptonshice have been told to stay away from school tomorrow because 3,500 teachers will stage a protect

Homes aid group fears more poor tenants

By Christopher Warman Local Government Correspondent

Council housing could become a "stigmatized and perhaps increasingly debt-ridden reservoir of bad housing for poor people" because of the Government's policy of selling council homes, the Catholic Housing Aid Society says in a report published today. report published today.

It says: "If high rents are combined with the right to buy over a long period it seems extremely likely that the effect will be to reduce substantially the proportion of households who are living above the pov-erty line in public sector hous-

Andrew Friend, the author, believes that in that way the role of public housing in breaking the cycle of inequality will have been quality in a standard.

The sale of council homes would achieve some redistribution of wealth, the report con-cludes. But the redistribution which benefited some working class groups was being achieved at the expense of those less well housed, whose housing oppor-tunities were reduced in direct relation to the increase of apportunity enjoyed by the pur-chasers.

The purchasers of council housing are not those trapped in the cycle of poverty; those who will lose include a majority of those living on very low in-comes", Mr Friend writes.

In the field of housing, the services provided by local authorities were mainly distributed according to need and disproportionately benefit low income groups, forming part of the "social wage", he says.

"But if these assets are not re-"But if these assets are not re-placed, the sum o frhat social wage so provided will decline, as will the standard of the ser-

The report maintains that better housing is being sold while less desirable stock is being retained by local authori-

It criticizes Mr John Stanley, Minister for Housing and Construction, for saying that sales showed a fair spread of proper-ties. "This totally contradicts all the evidence", the report

Mr Friend, who had conducted surveys in different parts of the country, asserts that the social impact of sales will be particularly severe in rural

They would "introduce an unpredictable element into a situation of extremely restricted supply, lead to a loss of relets in places where formidable bar-riers will prevent further coun-cil building, and have the general effect of further excluding lower income groups from the rural village.".

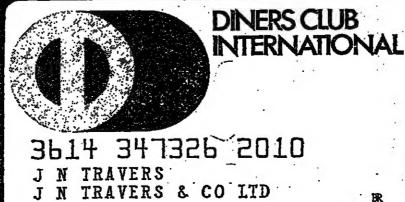
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'Cheapest' claim in grocery price war causes anger

By Robin Young Consumer Affairs Correspondent

Advertising in the grocery price war has brought a com-plaint to the Advertising Standards Authority, provoked recriminations between big companies, and soured relationships between a market research agency and its retailer clients.

The advertisements were placed in national newspapers by the Asda group of stores, a subsidiary of Associated Dairies, when announcing price cuts at the end of January. The advertisements repro-duced a curing from The Grocer headed "Asda are

cheapest p quoting findings from a shopping basket index prepared by Audits of Great Britain. Competitors are indignant be-

cause Audits of Great Britain's surveys do not include all Asda's competitors. Notable omissions include Carrefour, Pricerite, Shoppers' Paradise, Kwik Save and Sainsbury's Sava Centres caractal of which have Centres, several of which have proved cheaper than Asda in ther comparative price surveys in the man in the past.

Audits of Great Britain is also displeased because it does its surveys for subscribing retailers which are supplied with the results under copyright. The agency said it was embarrassing to see one client use the results to see one client use the results against other clients. Mr Tony de Angeli, the

editor of The Grocer, said:
"We did not give permission
for the cutting to be used in
this sort of advertising campaign. We are a trade paper
and wrote the story for our
own readers, who know these
things have to be taken with a
peck of pepper rather than just
a pinch of salt. The story was
supplied to us by Asda's
publicity men".
Sainsbury said: "Our own

Sainsbury said: "Our own Sainsbury said: "Our own price surveys show different results from the AGB figures which only relate to a selection of packaged groceries. Comparing superstores with local supermarkets is like comparing apples with oranges."

carrefour said its hypermarkets competed with Asda stores in four areas. "If they are going to claim to be cheapest we would at least like to be included in the price comparison. We do not subscribe to the AGB reports, which do not claim to be comprehensive." claim to be comprehensive."

The Advertising Standards Authority said a complaint about the price claims in the Asda advertisements was being considered. Audits of Great Britain said: "This has caused a great deal of coming and a great near or coming and going, but we do not think advertisements using our figures in this way are now likely to be repeated."

Asda said the company was formulating a response to the Advertising Standards Authority and did not wish to engage in a sterile controversy".

Embarrassment of rules

By Our Consumer Affairs

orrespondent The Government's first regu-The Government's first regulations under the Consumer Safety Act, 1978, have been announced, while local trading standards authorities, responsible for enforcing them, were expressing doubts that they could cope with the flow of consumer protection legislation. onsumer protection legislation.

The regulations ban the sale of ornamental glitter lamps illed with solvents which can ause unconsciousness or fire, and of textile articles intended o come into contact with the ikin which have been treated with Tris, a flame-retardant herical now known to be car-

Mr Christopher Rogers, chief trading standards officer for Westminster and an official for the Institute of Trading Standards Administration, said: "Trading standards authorities are already in difficulties.

"We are caught between gov-

"We are caught between govwe are caught oetween gov-ernment departments which say there must be cuts in expendi-rure, and others which keep

charning out legislation. "New orders and regulations New orders and regulations
have been descending on us
faster under this Government
than they did under the last.
We are also getting inundated
with extra complaints because
advice centres are closing and
Citizens' Advice Bureaux can no
longer cope."

BBC says education broadcasts are not to suffer heavy cuts

Education Correspondent and Kenneth Gosling

The BBC denied yesterday that educational broadcasting would suffer cuts of up to 50 per cent in its budget.

Mr Douglas Muggeridge, deputy managing director of radio, said: "Schools radio and continuing education radio will not be subject to a more disproporationate level of economies than other radio departments."

It is understood that the BBC's board of management decided at its meeting on Monday to reject proposals put forward by Mr Aubrey Singer, managing director of radio, of a 50 per cent cut in continuing education radio in terms of air time, producers and resources, and an 18 per cent cut in school radio, or 40 minutes a day. Mr Singer's proposals are outlined in a memorandum to

heads of department in education broadcasting, drawn up by Mr Donald Grattan, controller of education broadcasting, and dated February 8. Their main objective was to reduce the amount of time during which Radio 4 was split into VHF and

long wave.
By taking 40 minutes a day from school radio and absorbing the remaining 50 per cent of continuing education into the main network, it was intended to reduce substantially the total hours of switching/dividing.
Very little money would be saved on the technical side by not switching, the memorandum says, as the operational shifts

had to be retained. had to be retained.

The managing director of television will meet heads of departments today to announce plans for cuts in the television services. Mr Grattan says in his memorandum that the indications were that educational departments would be nominated for cuts above the

that Mr Singer has said that the position of education on local radio in the national regions "will inevitably be disadvan-tageously affected".

The proposals for cuts in educational broadcasting will be considered by the BC board of governors at its meeting on Thursday next week, but a decision then is not thought

The BBC's board of management last Monda yendorsed the general proposition that percen-tage cuts in real terms for all programmes should be: nerwork television 21; network radio 5; local radio 10; English regional TV 121 and national

Mr Grattan's memorandum comments on an argument that because education in society at

because education in society at large is being severely pruned, similar cuts should apply to educational broadcasting.

It was also being said that the survival of the BBC depended upon its being successfully competitive with ITV and Independent Local Radio in the next decade. It was for that reason that the proposed percentage cut in network tele-

percentage cut in network tele-vision was so low.

Against those arguments, however, there was a substan-tial one which related to the fundamental purpose and objec-tives of the BBC and its licence

free base in the public sector,
Mr Grattan says.

"It is certainly odd to see
a situation in which a part of
BBC educational broadcasting is threatened with a cut of 50 per cent when fourth television channels are likely to be re-quired by franchises to develop programming in precisely the same area, ie broad-based continuing education mainly of the non-formal sort", he comments.

The percentage of money spent on educational broadcasting had fallen over the years.

ing had fallen over the years and was now about 2.8 of the

TA likely to get £20m air defence missiles

By Henry Stanhope Defence Correspondent

The Ministry of Defence is preparing to place a contract worth more than £20m for the ments or their manpower.

The supply of Blowpipe misanti-aircraft missiles for the

Territorial Army (TA).

An Army source said last night that it signified the considerable importance being attached both to the TA and to the need to improve the Army's

air defence capability.

Blowpipe, made by Short Brothers for a nummake as much use as possible of ber of years.

The Government is anxious to the TA because that seems a cost-effective way of adding to Royal Artillery TA regiments, lar Army in wartime, which together would supply It has been encouraged by 36 Blowpipe detachments to reinforce the British Army of

By Par Healy Social Services Correspondent

The Government was accused yesterday of preparing to cut

the weekly incomes of millions of pensioners, widows and war disabled people as it cleared the first important hurdle in its

attempt to end the earnings link

for long-term benefits. After more than 16 hours of discus-

sion, clause 1 of the Social Security Bill was approved by

nine votes to eight in standing

the clause, officerly contested by Labour MPs for most of the first seven sittings of the com-mittee, would change the basis for raising pensions and other long-term benefits from con-tideration of both earnings and

The clause, bitterly contested

raise the number of detachments to 48, equivalent to a fourth regiment without in-cressing the number of regi-

The additional missiles will

siles to the regular Army will not be affected by the decision, which in theory is still subject to suitable terms being nego-tiated with the manufacturers. Not the least of its benefits will be the guarantee of more work for Short Brothers for a num-

The Government is anxious to the TA because that seems a cost-effective way of adding to At present it is on issue to three the capabilities of a small regu-

recent recruiting returns for the TA, which have shown an in-crease of about 2,500 men in the past four to five months. | service to patients.

isst year, he said. The clause isst year, he said. The clause would deprive pensioners, the war disabled, the industrially injured and those on invalidity benefits of pounds every week.

"That is the intention of the

Government and up amount of weasel words will hide the

The basic pension was still far too low, since it was below the poventy line and represented less than one third of

average incomes. Present legis-lation would not increase the

relationship of pensions to

average earnings until at least the end of the 1980s, yet the Government had taken £195m

Fear that prices link will cut pensions

Replacement of health authority is challenged By Frances Gibb

Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Services, was

challenged in the High Court yesterday about whether he acted unlawfully in appointing commissioners in place of a south London area health authority which overspent its allocated budget.

The five commissioners were appointed last summer after 33 members of Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham health authority voted to defy a government order to implement spending cuts.

spending cuts.

The three London boroughs are asking Mr Justice Woolf whether the authority's overspending of its annual budget by £3.5m constituted an emergency under section 86 of the National Health Services Act, 1977. 1977, causing statutory health services to fail to be provided. Mr Louis Blom-Cooper, QC,

for the boroughs, said, that in his opinion, the overspending, which amounted to 2.9 per cent of the authority's total £221.8m budget, did not represent such

an emergency.

"At the time the secretary made his direction overspending in the National Health Service amounted to a total of some \$100m, or 2.2 per cent of its total budget. So many areas must have been overspending."

But Mr Justice Woolf questioned the extent of his power in deciding whether an emer-gency had existed or not. "That is quite a task", he said.

Mr Blom-Cooper said it might be difficult, but the judge had before him most of the evi-dence and all the material that the Secretary of State had had before him when he decided

the issue. Mr Blom-Cooper said the Secretary of State had told the area health authorities in December 1978 to ensure that the following year they held spending to the 1977/78 level in real terms. No compensation was to be made for inflation as had been done previously

was to be made for inflation as had been done previously, Mr Blom-Cooper said.

But the whole application of the cash-limit system to the National Health Service had no basis in law, he said.

Mr Jenkin himself acknowledged this fact in an affidavit to the court.

to the court. The area health authority concerned had a background of concerned had a background of overspending, he said. It had overspent by £4.3m in 1978/79 but the previous Secretary of State had agreed in December 1978 that repayments should take place in the year 1980/81 and 1981/82.

But the area was unique among area bealth authorities. he said in that it contained three teaching hospitals, Guy's, King's College Hospital and St

Mr Roland Moyle, former minister of health, and MP for Lewisham, East, had said that the area was faced with "excep-In deciding by 19 to seven

at a meeting on July 30 not to implement certain recommendations for cuts, the area health authority had felt that such cuts would seriously damage the

Under-Secretary of State at the Department Sambourne, the Punch cartoonist. Reprimand for chemist in girl's death case

Museum of Victoriana: Lady Rosse, former

owner of 18 Stafford Terrace, Kensington,

London, inspecting a Victorian fan there yesterday with Mr William Bell, chairman of the Greater London Council's historic

buildings committee and Mr Hector Monro,

The chemist who made up a Dr Fakes's alteration had tried pain-killing prescription that to make the prescription look led to a child's death was reprimanded yesterday by the Pharmaceutical Society statutory committee, but remains on the society's register.

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Mr Colin Doorbar, aged 35, wept as he was told by Sir Gordon Willmer, chairman of the committee: "This is something which will haunt you for the rest of your days".

Sir Gordon said that Mr Doorbar, who faced eight charges alleging professional misconduct, was a first-class man in all other respects.

The hearing followed the death of Nicola Balckman, aged four, in June, 1977, after a dose of painkiller 46 times stronger than should have been given a child of her age after she comchild of her age after she com-

plained of earache. Mr Doorbar, of John Street, Workington, alleged during the hearing that Nicola's family doctor, Dr Roland Fakes, had altered the prescription after the death so as to shift the blame on to him.

Dr Fakes had asked him to return the prescription so that he could give it to the coroner. Mr Doorbar said he was astounded to find alterations in the prescription. He thought Dr Fakes, who admitted that

the prescription could have been misleading, was criticized by Sir Gordon yesterday. "We unhesitatingly accept the evidence given by Mr Doorbar", Sir Gordon said. "It is not necessary to say Dr Fakes was lying. It could be that his recollection failed him. We take an extremely poor view of the prescription he wrote, but that is not our busi-

The inquiry was told that Mr Doorbar had failed to check the morphine content in the drug, Nepenthe, which Dr Fakes had ordered over the telephone. Sir Gordon said that as an Doorbar should have realized

sease. "It is the inescapable duty of the pharmacist to satisfy himself that there has been no mistake", Sir Gordon said.
Dispensing the prescription was done in a moment of mental aberration. It was a

serious fault. He was failing in the duty he had to the public and the medical profession ".

Power lines risk claim turned down From Our Correspondent Gloucester A claim that high wokage

of the Environment (right). The council has bought the house with the aid of a National Land Fund grant approved by the department and it will be run as a museum

by the Victorian Society. The house's period

contents include diaries of Edward Linley

overhead powerlines can impair the health of people living under them has not been accepted by Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Energy. He gave consent yesterday for a one-mile stretch of 400,000-volt cable at Innsworth, Gloucester, to be moved closer to homes and a school, despite a local protest campaign.

He also instructed the Central Electricity Generating Board to keep a close check on research into the effects of the high-power cables. At present, he

Department of Health.
At the inquiry local residents, the parish council, and protestors from other parts of the country opposed the plan to divert the cables so that Gloucester's northern by-pess could be built.
The protest leader leader.

could be built.

The protest leader, Mrs.
Hilary Bacon, of Fishpond
Bottom, Dorset, claimed she had
suffered blackouts, depression
and insomnia since moving to
her cottage in the shadow of a
400,000-voit overhead line. She had discovered that many of her neighbours had had the same Russian tests had kinked proximity to high voltages with impaired health, she said.

Shetland dispute over ship pollution claim

From Ronald Faux

A dispute was developing last night between Shetland Islands Council and British Petroleum over a Greek oil tanker alleged to have caused pollution off the Shetland coast

The incident is being regarded in Shetland as a legal test case of the council's power to control shipping, using the Sullom Voe oil terminal operated by BP.

Aerial photographs of the tanker, Mibalis, were taken by the council's pollution patrol, and showed he vessel with an oily wake less than two miles outside territorial waters north of Shetland. The tanker was bound for Sullom Voe to pick up 80,000 tonnes of crude oil. Three marine and pollution officers on board the patrol sircraft made statements to the council that they were occur-

council that they were occavinced the tanker was discharging ballast and contravening the regulations covering shipping using Sullom Voe.

The council immediately complained by telex to the ship's owners and the oil company that nominated her to pick up the cargo. The council demanded that the nomination should be cancelled.

Mr Ernest Urquhart, the council's chief executive, said yesterday that BP had been informed by the Murphy Oil and Exploration Company of the United States that it wished the nomination for the Mihalis to

continue, so that the tanker could load her cargo. The council could not legally

prevent the tanker from enter-ing port, but Mr Urquhart made it clear that as the body responsible for pollution control and conservation, it would serve the Mihalis with a special direction under the Zetland County Council Act, 1974.

That would forbid the vessel

from mooring, taking on cargo or discharging ballast within the

harbour area.

BP's attitude is understood to be that the council is acting outside its powers because the Mihalis was beyond territorial waters when the alleged incident took place. Thus, it was up to the Department of Trade to say whether the vessel could enter and load.

enter and load.

Last night the tanker lay off
Shetland and the master
attempted to contact the American operators by radio.

It is understood that the
master of the Mihalis, which
has used Sullom Voe without
trouble at least twice before,
has said the vessel was steaming through an existing oil
slick when the patrol photographed her.

graphed her.
Dr Tom Harris, manager of the Sullom Voe reminal, said BP did not have the authority BP did not have the authorize to cancel the canker's nomina-tion on the ground of pollu-tion has said it holds the Shet-land Islands Council responsible for the costs of delaying the Mihalis.

Animal 'liberators' freed battery hens

Members of the so-called Animal Liberation From (ALF) told police that the theft of battery hens for release on free-range farms was an act of compassion, magistrates at Solibull, West Midlands, were

told yesterday. Mr Leslie Esostek, appearing for the defence of three women and two men, said that at one farm in the Shirley area of Solibuli "thousands of chickens are crammed into very small cages; with five or six chick-

ens in 18in by 9in cages. "Apparently hens in condition turn to cannibalism and inflict injuries on them-selves and the others. There were also dead bens and chickens lying around."

He said ALF had strict rules about the way raids were made on battery-tien houses, no violence was to be used; no member was to make any finan-cial gain; and no animals could be taken for which homes could

two previous similar convictions and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, suspended or two years consecu-tively on the first two charges, for them.

tence on the last two charges, ordered to pay £1,367.50 com-pensation and contribute £50 to egal aid costs.

The other defendants admitted burglary at Meadow Farm and Miss Bates admitted causing criminal damage there.

Mr Boyson, who asked for one other offence of burglary involving the theft of 18 dogs at Pelsall, Statordshire, was ined £100, ordered to pay £32 compensation and was bound over for 12 months.

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Mrs Smith and Miss Forester were each fined £50, ordered to pay £2 compensation each and similarly bound over. Miss Bares, who asked for two other offences involving stealing 18 dogs and 60 hens, was fined a total of £150, ordered to pay £528 compensation, bound over for 12 months and to make a £20 contribution to legal aid

Mr. Robert Lambden, for the prosecution, said the battery-hen houses had been brokes into at night and the chickens

such activities,
The theft of dogs took place
because it was claimed that a
woman took in strays and then had them put down to sell for processing as agricultural manure. Homes had been found

Farmers urge withdrawal from EEC farm policy

by Community authorities because they make the free trade principle sof the EEC impossible to operate. They strike at the foundations of the EEC. The willingness of the EEC transport to community the transport to the transpor British farmers to contemplate them illustrates their deep dis-enchantment with the impact of the common agricultural policy on the United Kingdom.

a possible collapse of the EEC price support system which pays for the purchase and storage of food "mountains". The appeal was supported by Mr Donald Sword, of Alton, Hampshire, who saaid: "Now is the time for the NFU with our national government to prepare a contingency plan

since British accession to the Community and the first at which members despaired of ever being treated fairly under the commo nagricultural policy. Mr Patrick Rossel, of Pem-broke, said that Britain was barred from selling lamb in France while French potatoes

steps to retaliate" he said. "It is not entente cordiale, but entente misérable".

Mr Timothy Boswell, who farms in Northampton, de-clared: The CAP has degenerated into a mass of more-orless shoddy expedients just to keep the show on the road". Mr John Dunster, who grows chrysanthemums in Avon, We know that a large number

of countries ignore the regulations and that a large number Leaders of the union were criticized at the meeting for being remote and ineffectual.

Mr James Marshall, vicechairman of the West Riding

Delegate accepted by a narrow margin a complaint about "issues which are decided without consultation or for which insufficient time is given for further consideration".

for export.

"Pickles, I am told, are steeped in a stuff called nonbrewed condiment", he said

Union challenge on parents' school repairs

to stop parents doing repairs at Mr John Dempsey, area William interest

officer of the National Union of Public Employees, said the and south union wanted to know whether Cheshire County Council was in breach of the Health and Safety at Work Act in encouraging parents to carry out repair and maintenance jobs. He said he had been told

parent-teacher associations that parents can carry out maintenance and repairs.

A council official said: "We face cuts amounting to £25m in the coming year on education. We have not asked parents to do anything but in

ensure that stringent conditions are met. There must be. insurance against injury or damage."

from a transport cafe at Can-nock, Staffordshire.

Two children died when fire swapt through their home in Priesthill Road, Glassow, yesterday, Peter Curran, aged three, and his brother David, aged two, were crapped in 20 upstairs room.

Bishop's Olympic boycott move rejected in synod The Bishop of Liverpool, a former England cricket captain,

sideration of both earnings and prices to a link only with prices. Mr Reg Freeson, Labour MP for Brent South, said that if the last Labour government had not introduced the "long overdue" link with earnings and prices in 1975, weekly pension payments would be up to £5 less.

The present Government had swindled pensioners of up to Conservative governments had

By Our Religious Affairs

Correspondent former England cricket captain,
An attempt to have the had wanted to propose that
General Synod of the Church of individual athletes and sports England endorse a boycott of the Moscow Olympic Games came to nothing yesterday. The senior bishop present, the Bishop of London, the Rt Rev tion of Afghanistan and the

Gerald Ellison, declined to give banishmen the Bishop of Liverpool, the Rt Sakharov.

Rev David Sheppard, permission In spite tomove an emergency motion. later voted by a narrow majority.

Dr Ellison said he thought it to give priority in its agend. would be wrong for the synod to to debate such a serious matter on without a background paper in front of it, and without the the list of such motions, and

of

Canterbury

Gunners accused Rescue woman of murder

Archbishop

Gunner Neil Wallace, aged 21, of Number 7 Commando Battery, HMS Condor, Arbroath, Scotland, whose home is at West Hagley, near Stourbridge, West Midlands, and Gunner James Price, aged 22, of 29 Commando Regiment, Plymouth, whose home is at Rochford, Essex,

appeared at Plymouth yesterday They were remanded in custody until February 18 charged with killing Thomas Pierpoint, of River View Lane,

'comfortæble'

bodies should refuse to take part in the games if they were held in Moscow, to show dis-

approval of the military occupa-

banishment of Dr Andrei

In spite of that, the synod

a private members' motion "Soviet imperialism", which

later voted by a narrow majority

had originally been forced on

was originally tabled in 1976. It is likely to be debated today.

Mrs Sandra Bannen, who was badly burnt when she tried unsuccessfully to rescue her four children and their babysitter from her blazing home on Monday, was said to be comfortable in hospital yesterday.

Mrs Bannen, aged 30, of Plawsworth Square, Pennywell, Sunderland, was treated in hospital at Shotley Bridge, co

Durham.

was right to promise to do more by overspending. Public spend-ing was the main motive power of inflation and pensioners were the main victims of iinflation. Clause 1 of the Bill would reduce the Government's duty to increase pensions, but give greater flexibility, and that was better for the nation and for

Pensions cost £9,800m a year, or 124 per cent of total public expenditure, Mr Prentice said. The pension was not good enough for those who received it, but the way to improve it was to improve the national economy. The solution was to have a growing national product and to bring inflation under

50p a week by refusing to make all extended the welfare state, good the acknowledged short be said, and the assumption of fall in the November increase moral rectitude by Labour he said, and the assumption of moral rectitude by Labour members was irritating.

He rejected the view that it

pensioners.

What we are saying is that pensioners are better served by a simple rand more modest requirement on the Government.

Equity olive branch to US

By Martin Huckerby

Theatre Reporter The council of Equity, the actors' union, yesterday backed away from a battle with American Equity over that union's tion between the performers' recent bans on British actors unions in different countries, performing in the United States.

There has been a rising tide of opposition to the British on Broadway, where it is felt that imported performers and pro-ductions from Britain are jeop ardizing opportunities

Americans, Mr Peter Plouviez, the general secretary of Equity, said yesterday he believed a lot of

keeping out more American However, the council has decided to make no substantial change in its policy. It simply said it wanted greater coopera-

and added that it would not argue with foreign unions over the cases of particular British artists seeking permission to

work abroad.

If that conciliatory move brings some similar response from the American unions, then British Equity would be grateful. Nevertheless, a previous attempt to improve relations with the three American unions yesterday he believed a lot of for performers, when Equity people expected the British officials went to New York last union to take its revenue by year, proved abortive.

Light on Ulster suspects' response to arrest

'Silence' advice for Catholics

From Christopher Thomas

Father Denis Faul, one of Northern Ireland's most persistent human rights camgiving practical advice to local Roman Catholics.

It gives a clear and explicit insight into how ordinary working-class Catholics are being encouraged to respond to police and army activity. One of its principal messages is that people arrested under the emergency laws should keep silent after giving their name and their solicitor's name. The leaflet, which, according to some lawyers, is not correct in all its advice, suggests that questions should be answered

in writing or not at all.

It is this "right of silence" to all but certain basic questions that is frustrating the Army and police, and is leading to mounting political pressure for a charge in the law to make it illegal for persous held under emergency legislation to remain silent. Father Faul, a Dungannon teacher who has unequivocally condemned violence, says he has made 700 complaints to the Royal Ulster Constabulary, 200

to the Army and 100 to the Ulster Defence Regiment on behalf of Roman Catholics. "The people I am talking about are low income groups, probably unemployed, probpaugners, has produced the ably of fairly low educational latest of a long series of leaflets standards." This, summarized, is his advice:

"It is important for every Catholic parent to instruct their sons and daughters regarding the names of the solicitor and doctor to ask for it they are arrested under the emergency laws. "Instruct your children not

to speak, to maintain silence until they have the nominated solicitor present with them, usually after 48 hours. "In every case give your name and your solicitor's name and keep silent. Do not sign your name to ony bit of paper while in an RUC station you are advised to

by the solicitor of your choice.
"Always have a medical examination before leaving the interrogation centre and/or at the special court by a doctor of your choice or your family's. This should be arranged by your solicitor.
"Ignore all documents presented to you as confessions of are being treated you have the your friends implicating you. right to be searched in the These are usually forgeries. nearest RUC station."

You cannot be convicted on another man's statement. It is a statement signed by you mat they want. "When your solicitor is pre-

sent you only answer questions about yourself, not about anybody else—that is your legal right. Families of prisoners should assume the worst and take immediate steps to get a solicitor, doctor, priest, politician or journalist alerted. "Please ring me as I am anxious to collect this material

tion of the Vatican and the human rights bodies." Father Faul offers detailed advice to people stopped at road checks: "Do not answer any questions about age, occupation, or relgion: do not answer questions about other people, your family or relatives or neighbours.

"When your car is being

about Catholics for the atten-

searched, lock it and say Which part do you want to search first?' Accompany the uniformed man and unlock the boot, then lock it, unlock the car and bonnet in turn, locking each section in turn. "If you dislike the way you

competed here win home-grown produce. "It is a one-way traffic and we must take

By Hugh Clayton

Agriculture Correspondent Farmers yesterday attacked the working of EEC farm policy and said that British agriculture should withdraw from it. A motion adopted unanimously at the annual meeting of the National Farmers' Union it London said that "pational currents." that "national support mea-sures should now be con-

Such measures are opposed Delegates accepted a call from South Wales that farmers shoull be safeguarded against

The meeting was the eighth annual gathering of the NFU

have hidden subsidies of Yorkshire county branch, said: "The union should become fore aggressive in the Brussels office".

Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary asked at the annual dinner of the union last night:
"Can we genuinely say that the standard of food in this country is now very high?" He wondered if British companies paid enough attention to tastes abroad when producing food

"I am sure it is an acquired taste. Nothing can beat the stuff we produce on our own farms, but too often it is spoils when it gets to the caterer."

Lord Carrington owns several farms and has been a member of the NFU for more than 30

A union is taking legal advice

that a council circular advises

many cases they volunteer for things like painting decorating and minor repairs." "Heads have been asked to

£10,000 margarine haul A lorry and trailer carrying margarine worth more than £10,000 was stolen yesterday

Children die in fire

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not be found.

Before the court were Mr
Derek Carroll, aged 42, of
Turves Green Road; Northfield,
Birmingham; Mr. Anthony
Christopher Boyson, aged 17, of
Eastham Road, Billesley, BirMrs Christine Smith.

Were put into traces and warming in south
to a free-range farm in south
Warwickshire.

Mr Boyson had said in a statement that it was done "in statement that it was done "in the christine statement that it was done to the exploitation of animals with violence". Miss Bates said that she also smashed trays of the christine statement that it was done to a free-range farm in south warwickshire.

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Mr Boyson had said in a statement that it was done "in the christine statement that it was done to the christian statement that it was done to were put into crates and taken to a free-range farm in sonth Warwickshire. said, there was not enough evidence to show that they harmed health.

After objections made at 15-day public inquiry into the Innsworth plan in 1978, the board will have to give the minister an engust report on its research into the possible. that the prescription was mis-leading and did not make eggs and unplugged a deep-freeze containing a large quanmagham; Mrs Christine Smith, aged 30, of Webb Lane, Hall Green, Birmingham; Miss Susan Forester, aged 25, of Hurlingham Road, Kingstanding, Birmingham; and Miss Forester said the hen were kept in atrocious conditions, Birmingham; and Miss Vivienne Bases, aged 18, of Stafford Street, Heath Hayes, Cansock, Staffordshire. research into the possible biological effects of the cables. Miss Forester said the heas Mr Howell also asked the were kept in atrocious condiboard to start a programme of I am not ashamed of Vivienne Bares, aged 18, of Stafford Street, Heath Hayes, Cannock, Staffordshire.

Mr Carroll, described as the leader, pleaded guilty to burglary by entering Meadow Farm, Solihull, and stealing 120 bettery hens worth £270; committing criminal damage to 16,000 eggs, fittings and cages worth £360; stealing 300 hens worth £600 from Box Trees Farm, Solihull; and causing criminal damage to 130 cages and fittings and four dozen eggs, worth £116.

He asked for four other offences, involving the thefr of 18 dogs, 84 bens and 11 chickens to be considered. He admitted two previous similar convictions tests on air ionization caused by the cables and to keep in touch with research by the Health and Safety Executive and the Department of Health.

M Chirac reappears with wisdom of a presidential candidate

From Charles Hargrove Paris, Feb 12

M Jacques Chirac, the Gaul-list leader, faced the press in a Paris hotel today for the first time in more than a year. It was a deliberately low-key perform-ance, in line with the policy of silence he has pursued since his party's setback in the European elections last June.

Apart from restrained crisis

Apart from restrained criti-cism of the Government's in-decision over Afghanistan, and of the shortcomings of its de-fence and economic policies, he shumed polemics and personal issues; and flatly refused to talk about next year's presiden-tial election. tial election.

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His audience which had been his audience which had been looking forward to the custom-ary fireworks was visibly dis-appointed. But the object of the press conference, which he held neither as president of the Gaullist RPR nor as Mayor of Peric was to correct his public Paris, was to correct his public

image of a n impulsive, hot-headed, and unreliable leader. He strove to show that he was detached from petty poli-tics, and had the breadth of view and wisdom of a presiden-tial candidate.

As a foreign correspondent observed afterwards, Prench politics is becoming very dull now that all the presidential hopefuls whether of the major-ity or the Opposition vie with one another to demonstrate teheir statesmanship.

teheur statesmanship.

To criticize the Government without condemning it, to mark ones distance from it without opposing it—and M Chirac stated he would not "assume the responsibility of causing a political crisis which would add to the international economic to the international economic difficulties we are experiencing "-is a difficult exercise. His performance was not altogether convincing, because it is not in his temperament to hold his horses. But he realizes that he has no choice for the

In a carefully worded intro-rection devoted almost exclu-sively to foreign affairs, M Chirac emphasized that detente remained the fundamental objective for France. But "this conor justify an artifude of weakness in the face of hegemonic undertakings pursued in the world with brutal force. On the government nuclear energy procontrary, it requires firmness". gramme".

The Soviet aggression in Afghanistm was "intoleraable"—the same word was used by the Council of Ministers. But the counter to it must be effective, and not dictated by domestic political considerations. A clear reference to President Carter's new firmness. Boycotting the Olympics was one of those ineffective countermeasures. countermeasures.

The only appropriate responce to the present world tension was "the restoration of our economic strength and the immediate reinforcement of our deterrent." It went without saying that France was loyal to the Western alliance, but independence meant that France was loyal to the Western alliance, but independence meant that France dependence meant that France itself decided what it should do and with whom, as General de Gaulle had said, and not be dictated to by any state or group.

group.

Asked about the Govern-Asked about the Govern-ment's reactions to the crisis of detente, he replied that he did not wish to indulge in polemics, but official reactions betrayed a certain weakness and indecision. He described as reasonable the Government's decision not to accept the American suggestion of a foreign ministers' conference in Bonn, and its refusal to boycott the Moscow Olympics. He insisted, however, on the need to give priority for the independent French deterrent, and called for the construction of 15 nuclear submarines by the year 2,000 (instead of the planned six).

Europe could not really cope

with the problems of Spain and Portugal in the EEC.
On the economy, he said, it was "not right to say (as M Raymond Barre, the Prime Minister, has been doing) that France is doing what she can; and not proper to foster illusions in public opinion." France was lagging far behind West Germany in the fight against inflation and unemployment, and in investments. "We need a liest accomment to be accommendated." new economic policy", instead of an increase in the state's running costs and petryfogging regulations.

France was not prepared for the second or even the third oil crisis, and should develop alternative sources of energy. He was "all in favour of the

Madrid right puts blame for killing on roof sniper

From Our Correspondent
Madrid, Feb 12

The leader of the right-wing trade union whose call for a Sunday rally led to violent clashes between extremists chaimed in a report published here today that the young man who died in the street fighting was killed by a sniper firing a carbine from a rooftop and not by a right-wing demonstrator.

His remarks, printed by El

His remarks, printed by El Alcazor, the extreme Madrid

Alcazor, the extreme Madrid newspaper, contradicted previous reports. Meanwhile police continued investigating.

The national president of the uttra-right union National Work Force (FNT) Señor José Antonio Assiego, also said:

"The responsibility for what happened on Sunday morning near the Cine Paris should be pinned on the authorities, who did not advise us of the prohidid not advise us of the probi-bition of the meeting until 5 pm Saturday, leaving us no time to announce a definite ban to our militants and sympathizers".

He added: "In any case, don't think FNT is going to deprive itself of public appearances in Madrid, because this is a democratic right and sooner or later we'll be in Vallecas (the Madrid neighbourhood where

the violence occurred), where we have a lot of militants." Trouble continued in Vallecas through Monday night, as extreme leftists kept up their pru-tests against the trade union affiliated with the pro-Hitler New Force Party. Rioters throw petrol bombs at police, dragged petrol combs at police, dragged cars across the strets, set fire to rubbish and other combustible items and shouted slogans. In another development, the leadership of New Force acknowledged that two men arrested in connexion with the

In the Basque country, the military wing of the separatist organization ETA (Basque Homeland and Liberty) acknowledged in a communique that prosecution stopped and only 31 per cent wanted them to ledged in a communique that its activists carried out the political murders of an Army major and a policemen last Friday.



Herr Franz Josef Strauss, the Bavarian Christian Social Union leader, leaves M Raymond Barre's office after talks with the French Prime Minister yesterday.

Enthusiasm for war crime trials quickly evaporates

From Patricia Clough

The dramatic effect of the television film, Holocaust, which a year ago shattered the West Germans' silence and indifference when the state of the television of television of the television of the television of the television of television of the television of television of the television of televis difference about the Nazi per-secution of the Jews, has apparently completely worn off. A Hamburg public opinion poll has found that even more West Germans want the proseassassimation of a young apparently completely worn off.

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spokesman said that New Force could not accept responsibility for the personal actions of its members.

In the Basque country, the line of the separatist months before the film was screened.

The Sample-Institute noted that in November, 1978, three months before the film was schown here, 53 per cent of the further

had watched the moving fourpart film, the respective per-centages sank to 45 per cent and rose to 51 per cent. But now, 12 months later, the number of people against further prosecutions has climbed to 57 per cent, and those in favour has dropped down to

34 per cent. A vivid example of the West Germans' attitude was to be found today in the small Bavarlan town of Bürgstadt in a state of shock after learning that its popular and much res-pected mayor, Herr Ernst Hein-richsohn had been sentenced to six years' jail in Cologne yester-day for helping to deport thousands of French Jews to their deaths at Auschwitz. The few townspeople who

In February, 1979, after 63 consented to talk to journalists, per cent of television viewers supported Herr Heinrichsohn

Printing strike hits two Berlin papers

From Our Correspondent
Berlin, Feb 12
The independent West Berlin
newspaper, Der Tagesspieget
and the only West Berlin evening newswaper, Der Abend,
were slim today because of a
refusal by the technical staff
to work last night and this
morning.

Both papers are printed by the Mercator printing press whose management includes the publisher of Der Tagesspiegel.
This brought into the open a
controversy between the management of the printing press
and its technical staff which has been going on for some time about payment for the hours spent by members of the works council at meetings. The management considers they spend too much time at

Mr Jenkins tells EEC to stop its squabbling

From David Wood

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From David Wood
Strasbourg, Feb 12
Failure to cut agriculture expenditure in money terms as well as real terms in the EEC spring price package could endauger the existence of the common agricultural policy in its present form, Mr Roy Jenkins, the President of the Commission, said in the European Parliament today.

Tural surpluses and the whole structure of the 1980 budget. If adopted by the Council of Ministers the package could "mark a significant step to wards containing expenditure and thus putting agricultural policy into a better relationship with other Community policies".

Mr Gundelach admitted that the agricultural price package

ing and consumer lobbies, as well as from the French, Irish,

and British spokesmen.
It did not bode well for the It did not bode well for the hoped-for early settlement to the Parliament's dispute with the Council of Ministers on the Community budget for 1980 which was rejected by the Parliament in Strasbourg last December. Mr Jenkins said that the farm price package was "a vital element" in the new budgetary document to be decided by the Commission tomorrow and presented to Parliamorrow and presented to Parlia-ment on Thursday. The implication was unmistakable, if the Gundelach package failed to satisfy either the Council of Ministers or the Parliament, then it could be October before the Community's 1980 budget

passes.
Air Jenkins, making his final review of the EEC's past year and prospects before he leaves the presidency on December 31, said that the agricultural proposals needed to be seen in the light of the proposals of the propo the light of mounting agricul-

Commission, said in the European Parliament today.

Earlier, Mr Gundelach, the Commissioner for Agriculture, had presented to Parliament market situation alone you will the Commission's proposals for the 1920-81 agricultural prices and ran into menacing challenges from both the farming and consumer lobbies, as but if you look in isolation at the income needs of our eight. the income needs of our eight million farmers and their families then you will be forced to ask for substantial price increases."

In his tour d'horizon to the Parliament, Mr Jenkins painted a black international picture to emphasize the increasing need for Community policies-eco-nomic, technological and social. He looked back with evident pride to his achievement in creating the European Monetary System, and then regretted the absent British. "Without sterling the system is frankly incomplete. Without participa-tion Britain is not playing its full part in Europe."

He asked that no more time

be spent on family quarrels, and looking ahead to the settlement of Mrs Thatcher's claim for a broad balance of British payments and receipts said that the Commission's proposals had cut the problems down to size and made their solution one of practical and specific negotiation. Parliamentary report, page 10

Giscard aid to Strasbourg From Our Own Correspondent Luxembourg, a convention be-

bourg to cease being the seat of the European Assembly. In an interview in the Strasbourg newspaper, Les Dernières Nouvelles d'Alsace, he was replying to suggestions by some non-French members of the Assembly that its peripatetic existence astride three cities should cease.

To put more punch into the Government's refusal to con-

President Glacard d'Estaing of the Bas-Rhin, and Strasbourg said today it would be unacceptable for France for Strasbourg to cease being the control of the Bas-Rhin, and Strasbourg was signed at the Elysée Palace today in his presence strasbourg to cease being the control of the Bas-Rhin, and Strasbourg to the Bas-Rhin to th teeing the city large-scale financial support to ensure that it can live up to its European vocation. This includes subsidies and

loans to increase botel accommodation, education facilities for children of foreign residents; and to improve transport, including the taking over by the state of two thirds of the operating deficit on air links between Streebourg and EEC. template any permanent move between Strasbourg and EEC of the Assembly to Brussels or capital cities.

BRANDT COMMISSION REPORT

A plan of action to avert global disaster in our time

The Brandt Commission has completed its report on the pressing economic and social problems after studying North-south issues for the past two years. The report, called "North-South: A Programme of Survival", puts forward proposals for far-reaching reforms and a restructuring of the world system in order to the world system in order to avert disaster.

In an introduction to the report Herr Welly Branct, the Comthat the present recession is graver than previous ones. Furnhermore, peace in en-dangered not only by the build-up of sams but by mounting chaos. But he notes the growing awareness that man-kind is a single community. The following is a summery of

Sind is a single community. The following is a summery of the report:

The report begins by tracing the world relationships and the problems of development over the postwar decades, culminating in the oil crisis of 1973 and the frustrations and deadlocks of north-south negotiations, "Current trends point to a sombre future for the world economy and international relations; a painful outlook for the poorer countries with no end to poverty and hunger; continuing world stagnation combined with inflation; international mountary disorder; mounting debts and deficits; protectionism; major tensions between countries competing for energy, food and raw materials; growing world population and more unemployment in north and south; increasing threats to the environment and the international commons through deforestation and describication, overfishing and overgrazing, the pollution of air and water; and overshadowing everything the menacing arms race." These trends could not only continue, but even worsen. Nevertheless they are not inevitable. but even worsen. In they are not inevitable.

Mutual interest of north and south

The report analyses the growing mutual interest in change that now exists between north and south, whether in remedying the root causes of mass poverty in trade or commodity agreements, in oil and mineral exploration, or in facilitating the recycling of surplus funds. "We are convinced that there are gains for all in a new order of internationed economic relation." There is both a moral and a practical case for reforming the world economy and transferring resources to the benefit of developing countries. Human solidarity and compassion for the extremes of suffering in poor countries, and the hard-headed interests of the rich commies, point in very similar directions.

Surveying the fundamental problems of poverty, the report insists that the poorest countries must receive special attention to help them to belp themselves, and it calls for a major initiative to assist them with basic investments in economic infrastructure. These would cost at least \$4 billion a year above current aid. Part of that would be agriculture, whose rotal additional aid needs would be about \$8 billion annually to step up food production in poor countries. A agriculture, whose total agriculture, whose total selection annually to step up food production in poor countries. A programme for international food security and emergency food aid is also called for. Without these measures the report foresees wide-spread hardship, and inflation in food prices in all countries. Abolishing hunger requires incomes for the poor as well as temproved food supplies. But "the world has the capacity to achieve such a goal. It is imperative that it does so."

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The report warus that "the present staggering growth of world population will continue for some time", this will give added urgency to the fight against

between population, industrial growth, and the environment, and the need for global cooperation to preserve the acosystem.

On disarmament and develop-ment, the report aims to increase awareness of the dangers and the crippling cost of the arms race, and the importance to everyone's security of non-military threats to surrival. "More arms are not making mankind safer, only poorer."

Equitable spread of development benefits

As well as international reforms, the Commission deals with the responsibilities of the developing countries in ensuring that the benefits of development are equitably spread and, in particular, reach the poor. While stressing that "changes at home, national reforms, are not a precondition for the international reforms called for in the report, the commission observes that "in the vast majority of developing countries much more could be done to achieve equitable development", and calls on the Third World to undertake the necessary reforms.

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lies in the measures proposed to
enable the producing countries,
by playing a larger part in processing and marketing, to obtain
a bigger share of the final sale
value of commodities, as well as
to achieve more stability in prices
and earnings. "Commodities are
the south's lifeblood, especially
for the poorer countries, and to
know what damage is done by the
vagaries of the market is to understand why they feel so passionately
about them." The report supports the common fund, which
should be provided with adequate
resources to stabilize prices at
remunerative levels, finance
national stocking outside of commodity agreements, and carry out
development and diversification
through its "second window". A
complementary role is seen for
individual commodity agreements
and compensatory finance, both of
which require greater efforts and
commitment by the parties concerned. And a case is made out
for a new financing facility for
mineral exploration to belp to
overcome existing problems "on
the basis of a global responsibility
for investment in mineral development".

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The report considers the central role of energy, and, in the immediate future, of oil in the world economy and international relations. It describes the disparities of energy use in the world. Per capita energy consumption in industrialized countries compared to that of middle-income and low-income countries is in the proportion of 100:10:1.

The report accepts that oll prices will have to rise in real terms; but they should do so predictably and gradually. It emphasizes the need for an international energy strategy to balance supply and demand in a context of stringent conservation, to develop new sources of energy, and to ensure in particular that the needs of poor countries are met. And it underlines "how essential it is that . . . the world's energy problems be solved by peaceful means."

on "safeguard" mechanisms, for the inclusion of more trade issues under international rules and surreiliance; and—over the longer rum—for moving towards a more comprehensive trade institution combining the functions of Unctad and Gett.

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The report makes constructive proposals to reconcile the interests of all parties over the issues of multinational, or transminational corporations and the sharing of technology. It sees a great matuality of interest in the erection of a regime under which the corporations can contribute more to development. At present relationships are too often prone to mutual suspicion and mistrust which inhibit investment and cause conflicts and even political tensions over existing operations. The proposed regime would include a framework—as far as possible a contractual one—imposing obligations on all parties concerning such matters as the avoidance of restrictive practices; the transment of the corporations in both home and host countries; legislation to regulate various activities of the corporations, including transfer pricing; and cooperation over tax policies and fiscal and other incentives. "Fair contracts are more stable" is one of the main themes.

The discussion also covers the

main themes.

The discussion also covers the transfer of technology in considerable detail. The important role of the corporations "In world production, processing and trade, as well as in other developments such as their increasing technological cooperation with several Eastern countries, make the transmetionals issue today one of global rather than solely north-south concern".

Disarray of the monetary system

One of the key problems in the world economy is the disarray of the international monetary system. The report recommends a system to be established on the basis of more stable exchange rates, greater symmetry in the burden of adjustment as between surplus and deficit countries and an orderly expansion of world liquidity. A central part would be played by special drawing rights becoming the principal reserve asset; these should be created in a non-inflationary manner and solely in response to world liquidity needs. But the Report also recommends that their allocation should favour developing countries; especially those with heavy adjustment burdens: the so-called "SDR-link". PMF gold should be used to assist lending to the Third World. And the report calls for greener responsiveness by the IMF to the adjustment problems of developing countries, which should be seen in context of maintaining long-term social and economic development, and not be subject to inappropriate or excessive regulation.

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sizes the need for an international energy strategy to balance supply and demand in a context of stringer to sources of energy, and to ensure the sources of energy, and to ensure the sources of energy, and to ensure the poor countries are met. And it is enderlines "how essential it is that . . the world's energy problem be solved by peaceful as means".

The report identifies a number of unmet needs of unmet needs of and types of available assistance, and in the relationships between lenders and borrowers. The poorer countries need considerably higher levels of concessional assistance; the better-off need to be able to continue to borrow, mainly at market terms, but with improved maturities and in the relationships selected in the poorer countries and in the re

Against this background the report put forward "a new approach to development finance". report put forward "a new approach to development fluance". Its main features are, firstly, a more universal and automatic system of international burdensharing; universal in the sense of calling for contributions not only from the industrialized Western countries and developing countries—excepting the poorest—as well. And automatic in the sense of an increasingly higher proportion of assistance coming from sources not subject to frequent budgetary appropriations. Contributions on a sliding scale related to national income could be one element in a system of "international taxation". Levies on international trade, on military expenditure or arms exports, on the mining of sea-bed minerals could be other elements.

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Another important feature of the "new approach" is institutional reform; greater regionalization of assistance, through decentralization of the World Bank's operations and strengthening of the regional development banks; greater participation of developing countries in the control and management of multilateral institutions—including the IMF; and consideration of a new institution, a world development fund with universal membership and fully shared management and control, to complement the World Bank and the IMF and to undertake some of the missing types of lending, especially programme lending—and ultimately to serve as a channel for revenues raised on a universal and automatic basis.

The report calls for a large-scale

The report calls for a large-scala transfer of resources on concessional and on market terms to the developing countries; some \$50-50 billion annually above current levels could be flowing through public channels by 1985. The money would come from a variety of sources; increased share-capital and borrowing powers for the multilateral development banks (at least a doubling in the case of the World Bank); SDR allocations; use of IMF gold; measures to give developing countries greater access to market borrowing, including the use by public institutions of surplus liquidity from oil-revenues and other sources. The report also recommands that the industrialized countries meet the 0.7 per cent of GNP target for official aid by 1985 and a target of 1 per cent by the end of the century, to provide more concessional funds for the poorer countries. In the longer run more resources should also become available from the universal contributions and automatic revenues already mentioned. The report calls for a large-scale

Need to streamline international bodies

In its penultimate chapter the report considers international organisations and negotiations. It suggests a high level and continuing monitoring body to pursue the "difficult but essential task of streamlining the system" of the UN and associated agencies, as part of the measures needed "to avoid duplication of tasks and wasteful overlapping" and to increase efficiency. It also suggests possible improvements to the procedures of North-South negotiations. And it calls for the selective use of summits "to advance the cause of consensus and change".

In its final chapter the report

ties": it sets out the main tasks for the 1980s and 90s to remedy the defects of the international economy and its institutions, to improve the conditions of made in commodities and manufactures in commodues an manufactures and to reform the structure of development finance and the money system. But "the world cannot woit for the longer term measures", says the commission, and the and the report properts an emergency programme for 1980-85. "At the beginning of the 1983s, the world community facts much spreater dangers than at any time since the Second World War. It is clear that the world economy is now functioning so badly that it now functioning so badly that it damages both the immediate and the longer-run interests of all nations."

The emergency programme has four parts :A large-scale transfer of resources to developing countries
An international energy strategy
A global food programme
A start on some major reforms in
the international economic sys-

The transfers of resources, the food programme and the reforms of the economic system comprise elements of the measures described above, essentially those which can be acred on relatively soon. The energy strategy aims at an accommodation between oil producers and consumers to essure four things: regular supplies of oil; rigorous conservation; more predictable and gradual oil price increases in real terms; and foint development of alternative and renewable energy sources.

Call to implement emergency programme

The commission emphasizes that the emergency programme is not a substitute for the priority reforms it recommends and must in its implementation be consistent with them. It sees the emergency programme as the basis for an international agreement whose components are of equal importance and related to each other. The programme carries obligations for all parties and brings benefit to all. It implementation will do much to create confidence, stimulate trade and investment, and improve the prospects for growth in the world economy. Conducted in partnership between north and south, it would amount to a major step towards a new investments of order and the deve-

Conducted in partnership between north and south, it would amount to a major step towards a new international order, and the development of a true world community."

Finally, the report calls for a summit of world leaders from both industrialized and developing countries. It could not commit those not present, but it could change the international climate and enlarge the prospects for global agreement, which it envisages being negotiated within the UN system. The summit should, in the commission's view, concentrate on the emergency programme, without detracting from the other long-term measures to turn round the world economy and give a lead to the negotiating process. It is now dramatically urgent for the world to take action: "the search for solutions is not an act of benevolence but a condition of mumal survival." is not all act of selectorice but a condition of mutual survival."

The members of the Brandt Commission were: Willy Brandt (West Germany), Abdiatif al-Hamad (Kuwait), Rodrigo Botero Montalya (Columbia), Antoine Kipsa Dakoure (Upper Volta), Eduardo Frei Montalya (Chie), Kaharine Graham (USA), Edward Heath (Britain), Amir Janal (Tanzania), Lakshmi Kant Jha (India), Khatijah Ahmad (Malaysia), Adam Malik (Indonesia), Haruki Mori (Japan), Joe Morris (Canada), Olof Palme (Sweden), Peter G. Petersen (USA), Edgar Pisani (France), Shridath Ramphal (Guyana), Layachi Yaker (Algeria).

change". Ex officio: Jan Pront (Nether-In its final chapter the report lands); Goran Chim (Sweden); discusses a "programme of priori-Dragoslav Avramovic (Yugoslavia).

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Two-day artillery bombardment marks end of the shaky ceasefire in southern Lebanon

From Christopher Walker Dir Mimas, Lebanon, Feb 12

Two days of concentrated artillery bombardment in southern Lebanon have signalled the final collapse of the shaky ceasefire negotiated by the United Nations last August be-tween the Israeli-backed Christian militias of Major Saad Haddad and the Palestinian guerrilla forces.

The sudden renewal of serious hostilities between the two irregular armies has greatly in-creased the instability in the border region. It has also raised again the possibility of Israeli intervention on behalf of the minority Christian community living in the buffer zone they describe as "free Lebanon".

Last week Mr Menachem Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister, promised military support for the Christians in all parts of

between Christians and Palestinians has been heightened by Israeli milibeen heightened by Israels mil-tary sources confirming a report that the Palestine Liberation Organization has received a number of Soviet-built T34 tanks from Syria. Although they are an elderly model, the Israelis fear that they could have a significant effect on the strategic balance in southern Lebanon.

in southern Lebanon.
Throughout much of last night and most of this morning, the sound of cannon, mortar and heavy artillery fire came from the rugged south

I was among a small group of journalists permitted to enter the battle zone this morning through the so called "good fence", which divides Israel from southern Lebanon, and which become a regular target for Polostician regular target for Palestinian attacks aimed at deterring the 1,500 Lebanese who crossed every day to work in Israel.

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After an hour spent driving on roads which lie in the shadow of the Palestinian gun emplacement built into the former crusader stronghold of Beaufort Castle, we were turned hack by our Israeli escort officers. "The shelling is so

Saudi Army

By Our Defeace Correspondent

Britain has completed a deal, thought to be worth a total of

about £100m to supply support equipment for artillery to the Saudi Arabian Army

The deal comprises four

e next two years.

Negotiations have been con-

tinuing for the past 12 months

hetween the Saudis and the

Eritish Government agency, In-

ternational Military Services

Neither the Ministry of De-fence our IMS would confirm the value or the content of the

contracts last night. It is un-derstood howeve rthat the arti-

lery equipment does not in-

tery equipment does not include any guns.
The 35,000-strong Saudi Arabian Army has a mixture of American, French and Fritish equipment. But most of its artillery is French, so the largest deal represents some

Khomeini today emphasized to Mr Brezhnev the need for the Soviet Union to follow a policy of non-agression in the Third

Worl dand Islamic countries, "above all in this region".

In a telegram to Mr Brezh-

nev, the Avatoliah added that safeguards for world peace re-

quired respect for the territorial

He was responding to a tele-

integrity of other countries.

By Henry Stanhope Defence Correspondent

An Iranian military team have just left Britain after dis-

cussions in Whitehall over the

possible resumption of arms

sales to Tehran. They want

spares and ammunition for

existing equipment, particularly for the 900 Chieftain tanks, procured for their Army during the Shah's regame.

But they are also interested

in reviving an order for

armoured recovery vehicles, if

only to carry out engine changes on crippled Chieftains,

some of which have been abandoned in isolated locations

since the revolution more than

It is understood to be the

third series of arms talks be-

tween the two governments

during the past nine months,

reflecting the Iranian Govern-ment's ambition to rebuild its

hattered forces as a counter

One of the difficulties has

both to internal opposition and

external aggression.

a year ago.

separate contracts, involving 12 sheet, Khalid Kamil, aged 29, Eritish companies, and the equipment will be supplied named, were to have carried out

heavy that it would be suicide to go on", one told us.

The bulk of Palestinian fire was being directed at the town of Marjayoun, which houses the headquarters of Major Haddad's 3,000-strong private army. Christian militiamen, dressed in Israeli uniforms and often using Israeli ammunition, were replying from their own fixed gun positions and from mobile mortars firing from different points in the thick olive graves. For the second day running

shut and many farmers and their labourers were unable to go out in the fields. In many of the Christian villages the inhabitants looked haggard after spending a second night with little sleep. "Surely there must be somebody who can help us escape from the danger", said Georgette Hassaid Georgette Has-Lebaron. Since the fighting bani a schoolgirl, aged 16, who broke out in the south, he has spoke to us in broken French. been under strong pressure from Major Haddad to honour are hundreds of children here who are too scared to leave their homes. They are exhausted by the explosions and they want all this to end."

In Dir Mimas, a Christian village with 1,500 inhabitants, we were shown the first evi dence of how the latest increase in fighting began at dawn vesterday. Four of the hillside houses had been wrecked by explosive charges placed against their outside walls during the night. The booby traps had been planted by a Palestinian squad which had waded across the nearby Litabi River and walked more than a mile to

It was while rescuers were trying to belp a man who lost his legs when one of the booby traps exploded that three of yesterday's four civilian casualties occurred—the highest toll in 24 hours experienced in southern Lebanon for more than a year. "The two men and a woman were helping the man trapped under rubble when a shell his them". one villager said. "They all died almost

immediately." One of those killed was Mr Roger Ghannoum, an announcer from The Voice of Hope, the American-financed radio station

Military deal Six charged with plotting to agreed with murder Israeli governor

Tel Aviv, Feb 12
Six West Bank Arabs were indicted in a military court in Nablus yesterday for alleged membership of a terrorist cell

which plotted to murder the

military governor of Jenin, According to the charge sheet, Khalid Kamil, aged 29,

the murder at an official cere-

mony in Qabatiya, their village

near Jenin. They allegedly plan-

med to dose the guests' coffee with sleeping pils and then murder the Israelis and take

their wespons. The alleged plot

was exposed before the cera-

mony.

Mr Kamil and another prisoner, Mahmud Abu Rabb, aged
21, were charged with plotting to murder in similar fashion the

driver of a water tanker that picks up water in Jenin for a

military camp nearby.

Mr Kamil was alleged to have obtained orders from an Al

Fatah official on visits to Dam-ascus in March and June last

with the Associated Press, said

the militants " had gone beyond

Mr Sadegh Qotbzadeh, the

Foreign Minister, said that he

hoped the crisis over the host-ages would soon be ended. Iran

would cooperate with Dr Kurt Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary-General, to solve it.

Mr Abolhassan Bani-Sadr, the

60 far the Foreign Office has

not become involved because

there has been no draft contract

for it to approve or otherwise.

hardly approve the supply of

ammunition to Iran while the

American hostages are still kept

On the other hand, relations

between Iran and the United States are showing signs of a

thaw. If the hostages are re-

leased quickly and safely, the resumption of supplies to Tehran, if only on a limited

scale, might once more become

Under the Shah, Iranian sales

accounted for about a tenth of

acceptable within the next 12

months.

prisoner in their embassy.

President, has said that Iran no

the latest deal represents some ascus in March and June last Embassy in Madrid thing of a breakthrough for the year.

In another case yesterday, Israeli secret services.

Ayatollah tells Moscow it must

respect the independence of Iran

their task ".

Tehran, Feb 12.-Ayatollah Mr Farhang, in an interview

murder Israeli governor

secret.

alerted for Western wedge of Bible readings, pro-Haddad From Dessa Trevisan propaganda and country music

from studios in a battered build-

ing a few miles from the village.

Mr Ghannoum presented a

weekly programme in Arabic

and also worked in his spare

time as a hospital voluntter.

Today, details of his funeral were appounced amid the

station's regular gospel sessions

and bland selection of songs

carefully veted to exclude any

mention of sex drink or drugs.

Israeli officers claimed that

the individual sabotage attacks

against civilian houses were a new tactic to intimidate the

Christian villagers. The Israelis

were also able to show that the

terror squad must have passed

within close range of an out-post manned by Nepalese soldiers from the United Nations Interim Force in

The Israelis claim that the number of Palestinian terrorists

now operating from inside the Unifit controlled area is 700—

an increase of about 200 since the now defunct ceasefire came

intoforce on August 26 last

Angry villagers in Dir Mimas

As well as being directed

at the gueroillas particularly those based in Beaufort Castle.

which towers over the small

village from across the valley.

that only an attack mounted on

foot would have any effect against the encient forufica-

tions of the castle, which has been a threat to the area by the Palestinians since "free

mains unclear. But whatever demands are coming from the

Christian community, there is

known to be strong inter-national pressure for Israel to

any further military incursions

three Arabs were imprisoned

for 18 years for plotting to shoot down an El Al airliner in

Nairobi by missile in 1976. The trial, before a military court in Lydda, was in camera. The names and nationalities of the

accused, the manner of their

capture, and the details of their

Thomas Reuter and Brigita

Schultz, who were involved in

the plot, pleaded guilty in Sep-

tember and were sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment. The

West German Government has

made representations to Israel and it is believed that they will

be released in a few months. The Supreme Court of Jeru-salem yesterday upbeld a six-

year prison sentence on Ian Beder, aged 24, of New Zealand,

an Egyptian intelligence

Mr Beder spent a year in

Mr Farhang said Iran would

welcome the international com-mission that Dr Waldheim has

proposed to investigate Iranian

Third, he said, Iran would

accept an international resolu-tion proclaiming the Shah a common criminal. Such a reso-

lution could be adopted by the General Assembly by a simple majority and it would not be

necessary for the United States

tollah Khomeini soon after his assumption of power. The ROF

did not lose hard cash on the

deal because money had already

been paid by the Shah to fin-

The chief problem for the

Government has been the loss

of work for the ROF, which

lost 800 jobs with the cancel-

lation of the Iranian order. This

has to some extent been eased

by a recent contract to build

350 tanks for the Jordanian

The British Army is also considering the procurement of 200 Challenger tanks, with modern Chobbam armour and a new

Rolls-Royce engine, to help fill the gap before MBT80, the

main successor to Chieftain,

grievances.

Iranians press Whitehall for Chieftain spares

been the many changes in aircraft missiles from British Iranian personnel. Whitehall Aerospace and for 1,300 advanofficials have found themselves ced tanks from the Royal Ord-

talking to a different team on nance Factories (ROF), were each occasion, with little among those cancelled by Aya-

This has been just as well, be-cause the Government could which had to be established.

the annual arms export industry enters service in the late 1980s.

in Britain, now running at Arms sales, which expanded about £1,100m. Orders for steadily throughout the 1970s, vehicle-mounted Rapier anti-

Mr Beder spent a year in Israel and left in August, 1971. He approached the Egyptian Embassy in Madrid and pro-vided information on the

Privately the Israelis claim

Lebanon (Unifil).

bombardment

Warsaw, Feb 12

East block

An indication that Moscow now expects its East European allies to tighten discipline and speak with one voice was pro-vided today by Mr Mikhail Suslov, a senior member of the Soviet Politburo. The hard-line party theoretician called upon the people of East Europe to close their ranks and accused the West of trying to use every possible means to drive a wedge between the Warsaw Pact states.

Mr Soslov, the first foreign delegate to speak at the Polish Communist Party congress which opened yesterday, warned his country's allies against a possible threat from the United States and China.

"The West", he said, "is trying to use every means it can to undermine the solidarity of the socialist countries". This made it more imperative than ever to " strengthen our lines ".

This suggests that Moscow satisfied with the kind of backing it has received from its East European allies for its intervention in Afghanistan. With the exception of Romania, the countries of Eastern Europe were working today to patch up the damage to their homes caused by the explosions and subsequent five-hour artillery lacked the military action with varying degrees of enthusiasm. Fulsome support was given by East Germany, Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria, while Poland and against the Palestinians, the fury of the villagers was also aimed at the Israelis who they accused of failing to hit back the guerrillas particularly Hungary were lukewarm and even ambiguous in their support.

Mr Suslov is the last survivor of the Stalinnist leadership and his presence at the congress is seen as an indication of the tough line which Moscow is now taking.

Yesterday, Mr Edward Gierek offered to host East-West talks to defuse growing tension in Europe, which, he said, was threatening peace. Yesterday, Mr Suslov, while wanting détente to continue, took a tougher stand, con-demning the United States and accusing it of working in col-lusion with China.

Lebanon" was set up.
By tonight the question of response, if any, the Israelis will make to the renewed clashes in south Lebanon re-"The Amercan decision to concentrate forces near Iranian border " he said. not incidental. It was a deliberate, planned policy to check progress among developing nations."

Poland is clearly worried by the present international situathon. So are other countries of the Soviet block, all of which have enjoyed more room for manoeuvre because of détente.

The economic aspects of détente are of particular importance as East European countries, too, are suffering slower growth rates and need to boost productivity and im-prove quality through imports of Western technology.

In order to obtain this they ern money and markets. Poland is in a particularly weak position as its debt is now beleived to total £800m. This year, Poland will also have to import at least 6 million tons of grain fro mthe United States.

Killing 'grave barbarity', rector savs

Continued from page 1 one of his predecessors at the organization for Catholic grad-

uares, Signor Aldo Moro. Christian Democratic leader who was kidnapped and murdered by terrorists in March

One of the most bitter comments came from Professor Antonio Ruberti, the Rector of the university who, pale in the face and tense, said that the aim had been not only to strike at Signor Bachelet but also at the university itself. He said that years to reestablish an atmos-much had been done in recent

phere of democratic conduct at the university. After what happened today, it appeared to him all the more essential to find a "moment of essential to find a "moment of profound unity to condemn such acts and to fight together against terrorism". Killings inside a university, he went on, meant "that we have arrived at a point of grave barbarity which it is difficult to leave behind without the serious and hind without the serious and genuine effort of everyone". gram from Mr Brezhnev sent on the first anniversary of the Iranian revolution.

In Geneva, Mr Mansour Farhang, Iran's Ambassador to the United Nations, said that the United Nations, said that the United States for its deceptive and exploitative policies in the last 25 years, and Reuter. The Chamber of Deputies called for an immediate statement from the Government on the killing. Signora Nilde Jotti, the Communist presiding officer of the Chamber, sent a message to President Pertini on behalf

on the House. The murder, she said, sounded like an intolera-

able challenge intended

plateau, from which they are

unlikely to rise vary far unless the lucrative Iranian market is

reoponed, or new customers can be found elsewhere, per-

haps in countries which until now have been regarded with

reserve by the Foreign Office.

China is the most obvious

market to be explored. So far

British arms sales to China have been small. Three contracts have been signed, one worth

£500,000 for night vision equip-

ment, another £1m order for

field artillery computer equip

ment, and a third £1,200,000 contract for Cymbeline mortar

But Chinese interest in the

Harrier jet has waned—and sources believe it was always exaggerated anyway. The Chinese are most interested in buying Western expertise to

help them establish their own

high technology arms industry. Even for this, however, they

need more foreign exchange than they have and are likely to ask for generous credit

locating units.

arrangements.

intimidate the judiciary,

Leonid Kozlov and his wife, Valentina, former Bolshoi ballet stars who defected last September, rehearse with the Milwaukee ballet for a performance there last night.

Undecided voters hold Toronto in balance

Toronto, Feb 12

"Pve never known an electorate so volatile", Mr Paul Cosgrove said anxiously. He is a mild looking lawyer, with receding hair and glasses and is running as a Liberal in one of Toronto's marginals. The opinion polls put the party well sheed of the Conservatives, and Capadian polls have an excellent reputation for getting things right.

But a third or more of those asked say that they are still undecided a week before the vote. Last May the "undecideds" turned on Mr Pierre Trudeau, who had been Prime Minister since 1968, because

They did not however, give the Conservatives a majority: they won 136 of the 282 seats in the House of Commons. Mr Joe Clark became Prime Minister and. within seven months according to the polls, people were tired o fhim, too. So the Opposition, Libe

and New Democratic Party (NDP) together, brought down the Government. The Liberals hope to get a majority in Parlia-ment this time, but the elec-torate appears to be flying off

again.
The Liberal lead over the Conservatives has dropped from more than 30 to under 20 points and is still falling. Because they will win huge majorities in Quebec, they could still lose the election though winning more votes then the Conservatives. No wonder Mr Cosgrove is

worried. The constituency is York-Scarborough, in the north-west of the Toronto agglomeration. It always has gone with the party that won the elections. It turned out the Liberals in a by-election in October, 1978, and confirmed the victorious ervative, Mr Paul McCros-

san, last May. He is small, dark and energetic, an accountant who enjoys explaining the Government's fiscal policies and the budgetary inequities of the Liberals.

The two men attended a meeting in a school last night, along with four other candidates, and argued politely over who was most responsible for the crisis in Canada.

Behind the microphone. Mr Cosgrove radiates confidence. He used to be the Mayor of Scarborough and bossts of the area's economic expansion for which he takes credit, along with Mr Trudeau and the for-mer Liberal Government.

An unkind questioner osked him why he denounced Mr Clark for nor solving the energy crisis, when Mr Trudeau had presided over that same crisis for six years without doing anything about it.

He explained patiently, that ever, and all the Liberals had indeed done something about it. They had introduced an excise tax, 10 second chance.

of petrol, four years ago. It is

now 7 cents a gallon. But did not the Liberals, and the NDP bring down the Clark government for introducing an government for introducing an 18 cent excise tax on petrol in last December's budget? Yes, indeed, but that was different.

Other speakers were more direct. The candidate of the Marxist-Leninist Party said: Make the rich pay for the crisis, not the poor; the man-esting capitalists of Canada will buried; kick the United States imperialists out of Canada." He also denounced "the Soviet social-imperialist invasion of Afghaoistan", all in a most amigble and gentle

The meeting of about 50 people listene de him politely. is a large and harmles postal worker. Indeed, there was hardly any applause for anyone, and the only animation was achieved when Mr McCrossan and Mr Gos over the price of petrol. was a very tranquil meeting for a key marginal in an important

The NDP candidate is Mr Vic Overend. The NDP claims to be socialist, and is certainly much closer to the British Labour Party than any other significant party in North America. It voted with the Liberals to bring down the Clark government because it believed that it stood a real chance of substantially increas-ing its vote, particularly in the

west and in Ontario. The election will be decided here. Ontario has 95 seats out of 282 in Parliament, and in the last election the Liberals lost 23, the Conservatives gained 32 and the NDP lost two. There were 11 extra seats for the province because of its

increased population. Now it may be that in the industrial towns of South Ontario, like Hamilton and London, the NDP may at last make its breakthrough to glory, but there are few signs of any such thing in Scarborough. such thing in Scarborough. Overend did his best, a

faithful claque in the audience fed him appropriate questions, but he seemed to have no more real effect on the audience than the Marxist-Leninist or the woman independent who con-fessed: "I'm not all that experienced, but I have a keen Mr McCrossan won by 5 per

cent last May, a matter of 4,000 votes on a turnout of nearly 80 per cent. This is what worries Mr Cosgrove, the Liberal.
Although the electorate of
Scarborough have been called to the polls three times in 16 months they will tur nour again next Monday as numerously as ever, and all those "un-decideds" may yet give Mr McCrossan, and Mr Clark, a

Concorde likely to lose £4m on Singapore route

By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent

A bleak picture of the Concorde's commercial prospects some flight sectors. on the Singapore route emerged at the end of five days of talks between British Airways and Singapore Airlines, which operates the supersonic airliner under an agreement

with the British airline. Hopes that the service, which has been operating for just over 12 months, would make a profit have apparently diminished due to large increases in the price of fuel which accounts for 70 per cent of operating costs.

The two airlines stated jointly after the meeting that there was no immediate danger of the service being closed.

British Alrways flight crews take the Concorde from London

Singapore Airlines cabin crews alternate with those of BA on

Sources close to the British airlines said in Singapore that it expects to lose f4m on the thrice-weekly service for the year ending in March. The outlook for 1981 was promising".

One large difference between the partner airlines is a clause in the agreement which makes British Airways responsible for paying Singapore Airlines com-pensation for any loss of firstclass passengers from subsonic services to the Concorde. British Airways would like to see the fee abolished—it is

running at film a year.

Both airlines agreed to have further talks to seek ways to increase revenue from a service popular with the to Singapore by way of service popular Bahrain, The aircraft carries travelling public. popular

Mrs Gandhi criticizes Soviet interference

From Richard Wigg Delni, Feb 12

Mrs Gandhi today told Mr. Gramyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, that Moscow's interference in Afghanistan's inter-nal affairs was "inadmissable". Mr Gromyko was opening talks here aimed at inducing this country to accept the Soviet

But when, after three hours of talks between the Indian Prime Minister and the Soviet leader, an Indian delegation spokesman was asked if India had directly asked for a with-drawal of the Soviet forces from Afghanistan he denied that this had been broached today.

He twice told reporters that the withdrawal question would tome up in discussions scheduled for comorrow. In these Mr Gromyko will be deal-ing with Indian officials under Mr Narasimba Rao, the External Affairs Minister.

The discussions had been in general terms today, the spokes-man explained. But both Goveroments had agreed to con-sider "measures by which the tension in the region can be diffused.".

Th spokesman indicated that the Indian position given to the Indian position given to Mr Gromyko today was based on the joint Indo-French statement issued during the visit to Delhi last month of President Giscard d'Estaing when India adopted the word "inadmissible" for the first time.

Added to this are the state-ments made a formight ago by Mr Rao in Parliament which "categorically" opposed the presence of foreign troops in any country and expressed India's "hope" that the Russians would be withdrawn from

Mrs Gandhi insisted on measures to reduce tension in the region when she saw Mr Clark Clifford, President Carter's special envoy, at the end of last month. This follows her view that India and the region must strive to avoid super power rivalries.

Mr Gromyko, tried to leave Mrs Ganghi's office by a sidedoor but reporters caught up with him only to have him make general remarks about develop-ing Indo-Soviet friendship, something "the entire Soviet leadership" was convinced meets the interest of peace in the Asian region.

The Indian side said that the Russians made no specific pro-posels of their own during the talks on Afghanistan today. Mrs Gandhi, for her part was

reporters, saying only that her takes with Mr Gromyko were "As usual, frank." Apparently she took some time to review events with Mr Gromyko whom she had not seen since before her defeat in the March 1977 general elections.

Mr Gromyko was also informed of the consultations Delhi has been having with Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Bangla-desh and Afghanistan-with Nepal to follow next weekwhich have been aimed at evolving a regional response to the threat of super power confrontation on their doorsteps.

The Indians have been cautious in public about this initiative, but they indicated to the Russians today that the kind of reactions they obtained could be highly significant.

One of the main points made to Pakistan was to emphasize supply the Afghan Muslim in-surgents with arms and allow them sanctuary this side of the Durand line.

This position comes somenear the Soviet and where near the Soviet and Afghan emphasis on the need maintain Soviet troops in that country so long as it is subject to the risk of armed incursions from Pakistan or

Chine.
The Indian spokesman denier that Mr Gromyko discussed Kampuchea

Mr Rao emphasized that all countries of this region are members of the non-aligned movement when he addressed Mr Gromyko at a dinner tonight. Calling for the "utmost restraint" the countries of the region and by outside powers, Mr Rao asked for India and its neighbours to "be permitted to live in peace and annity without being dragged into a confronta-

Recent developments in the area "have caused us much concern", he added, "their first effect has been to threaten the stability of the region", Mr Gromyko's arrival in

Delhi today provoked two demonstrations, one of them involving about 250 afghans and Indians in front of the Soviet Embassy, to protest against the Soviet intervention, the other, a small demonstration, by Afghan students at the airport This did not prevent Mr Gromyko from saying, in an

improvized speech, thta Inde-Soxiet friendship was based on commonsense and not subject to mere passing "emotions"— presumably a vailed referenceto protests throughout the world at the Soviet action in Afghanistan.

Pakistan rejects Karmal overture for talks

From Hasan Akhtar Islamabad, Feb 12

Pakistan is to ignore the call by President Babrak Karmal of results will bring any relief to Afghanistan for talks, according to sources here. Mr Karmal is reported to have suggested peaceful and amicable negotiations with Pakistan to solve mutual problems" in a state-ment issued yesterday in Kabul after talks with a special envoy of Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister.

According to official sources Pakistan is in a position to accept the offer as long as Soviet troops remain in Afghanistan. It is pointed out that the emer-gency session of Islamic foreign ministers in Islamabad last month had clearly decided that the Kabul regime would not be recognized by Islamic states until foreign troops leave Afghanistan. Any talks with President Karmal would be against the resolution which Pakistan vigorously supported.

Referring to another passage in the Indo-Afghan statement concerning the offer to with-draw Soviet troops if a credible guarantee against "armed aggression on Afghanistan from abroad" was available, the Pakistan sources said there was no external threat to the Kabul regime except from the same government whose troops were already in Afghanistan.

Meanwhile, the talks in Delhi between Mr Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, and the Indian leaders is being watched here with considerable watched here with considerations misgiving in view of the Indo-Soviet friendship treaty of 1971 which Pakistanis believe led-to the dismemberment of

Pakistan and the emergence of

Few here believe that its the Afghanistan situation as it affects Pakistan in spite of a recent message from Gaudhi to President Zia ul-Haq seeking to reassure Islamabad of Indian sympathy in the present situation. Lieutenant-General

Haq. Governor of the North West Frontier province, is reported to have said in Peshwar today that a provincial cabinet would be set up next

Hand-picked provincial cabinets and advisory councils are being set up as substitutes to representative governments and assemblies which were abolished two-and-a-half years ago by General Zia when he removed Mr Bhutto, the former Prime Minister, from power. The country has since been

under martial law. Three other provinces are also likely to have provincial cabinets and advisory councils next month. Widow complains: Mrs Nusrat Bhutto, the widow of the late Prime Minister and the late Prime Minister and Miss Benzir Bhutto, her daughter, have complained to the Sind High Court that they have been deprived of the services of their cook and sweeper in their home in Larkana.

Both women are under detention and their lawyers said the Bhutto home had been turned into a virtual prison. The court which is hearing their constitutional petition against martial law and their detention, decided to consider the complaint next Monday.

Oman allows US forces to use its bases

From David Cross Washington, Feb 12

as helpful.

The Sultanate of Oman on the eastern corner of the Arabian Peninsula has agreed in principle to allow the United States to use its military facili-ties in an emergency. But it is not yet clear whether two other countries, Somalia and Kenya, where Washington has been seeking similar arrangements after the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, are willing to be

The New York Times reported today that all three countries had indeed agreed to give American forces access to existing bases during recent discussions with Mr Reginald Bartholomew, director of politicomilitary affairs at the State Department. Mr Bartholomew returned to Washington today from a tour which included stops in Oman, Kenya, and Somalia, as well as Saudi Arabia.

In return for agreement to In return for agreement to use the military facilities, the New York Times said, the United States was ready to provide unspecified amounts of military aid. A senior administration aide was quoted by the newspaper as welcoming the re-

ginning of a significant reversal oof oru strategic decline in that part of the world.

Answering questions from

ported agreements as "the be-

reporters today; officials at the Oman Embassy in Washington said that their Government had agreed to provide refuelling cluded. Officials at the Kenyan and Somali embassies here could neither confirm nor deny the account in The New York Times of their governments' positions.

American Administration officials have been equally circum-spect. Mr Harold Brown, the Secretary of Defence, told a television interviewer he was hopeful that access agreements with the countries concerned would be concluded. Mr Edward Hidalgo, the Navy Secretary, said he thought there was nothing "definitive"

A State Department spokesman said Mr Eartholomew's talks had been "useful" but. declined to comment further until the results of his negotiations had been studied further.

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Caste-ridden society leaves Indian police free to rape and beat

From Richard Wigg
pelhi, Feb 12
Outbreaks of caste violence in two "Hindi belt" states in North India, where cows are sacred but human life is cheap, underline the force of the latest annual report of the Indian Commissioner for Scheduled Castes, just made public here. Not a single state, it reveals, has undertaken the survey to identify the potential caste trouble spots set as the preliminary task under the Protection of Civil Rights Act of 1976.

Everything waits until famatic mobs of either higher caste Hindus or Harijans (formerly untouchables) kill, rape, pillage or burn down the homes of their opponents.

Afterwards, should there be a sufficient manual protection of their opponents.

Afterwards, should there be a sufficient outcry, the police will send in armed patrols, which are subsequently with

which are subsequently withdrawn until the next trouble
spot erupts to the equal surprise of the authorities.

These omissions have all
been starkly highlighted by the
latest bout of caste violence in
two villages, Narainpur in Uttar
Pradesh and Parasbigha in
neighbouring Bihar.

Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Prime
Minister, last week visited the

Minister, last week visited the village where the provincial village where the provincial armed constabulary, mostly drawn from the higher castes, flagrantly beat and raped village women to "punish" them over an incident in which an elderly village woman was killed by a local bus.

Mrs Gandbi called the police brutality "an instance of its kind unparallelled since independence". She was exaggerating probably because the state government is run by the

government is run by the Janata Party, now in opposition

But the Prime Minister was correct, after talking to the village women for two hours, in emphasizing that such brutality showed the worst in India's illdisciplined police.

The very day Mrs Gandhi was in Narainpur, 12 lower caste villagers were shot or burnt alive, seven of them women and two children, in the Bihar vilage. The well-armed attackers, numbering about 150 were avenging the beheading of a local landowner of the higher Bhumihar caste. He had seized some village lands which had been allocated to lower caste

Such village violence occurs especially in Bihar because "land grabbing" and caste division among landowners and landless is common.

The Commissioner's report Ane Commissioner's report covers the Janata years when Mr Morarji Desai, as Prime Minister, boldly pledged India would eradicate the stigma of untouchability within five years. The Commissioner now soberly comments however: soberly comments however:
"No one who is familiar with
the social climate prevailing in the rural areas would advance the argument that untouch-ability has declined in real terms".

One of the "most obnoxious disabilities" frequently suffered by Harijans was, he noted, the lack of village drinking wells for them. Loopholes in the law were exploited by higher caste willness. higher caste villagers, with the connivance of local officials of identical castes, to classify village wells as private property.
In one northern state local social affairs offices did not even possess a copy of the 1976 Act; many high officials responsible for implementing it were ignorant of its provisions, he found.

Among the measures the Act provides for were collective fines on villages prone to caste discrimination, legal aid and

compensation to victims, and better police protection. Police protection, however, touches another root of the caste problem in Northern India. The police often come from the higher caste and share

the same prejudices. A report recently submitted by the National Police Commison underlines the interrelated problem of interference by caste-ridden politicians. While political leaders like Mrs Gandhi use outbreaks of caste violence as a stick to bear their opponents with, they also use

caste at election times to bring

in their own votes. As long as political patronage of the police continues, the Police Commission argues, It will be difficult to train up more impartial and law-observing police forces. Today, corrupt policemen were more often pro-moted, the commission complains, than honest officers who face posting for their law-abiding spirit.

Developing countries too addicted to drugs

From Our Correspondent Vienna, Feb 12

Three hundred from 70 nations are trying to work out a strategy to deal with international drug abuse. They are meeting here for 10 days at the sixth special session of the United Nations Commission on Narcotic Drugs.

The Commission can only make recommendations to the United Nations General United Nations General Assembly. Any further measures are the responsibility of individual governments.

The commission has received

reports which present a picture of serious drug abuse. Apart from the United States the number of heroin addicts is growing steadily throughout the world. Cocaine, once considered the drug only the rich could afford, now has a much afford, now has a much broader pattern of consump-

There is also widespread and growing abuse of amphetamines and barbiturates, even among the developing countries, Perhaps the greatest diffi-culty confronting the commis-

sion is that of preventing abuse at source. Most drugs, such as opium and cocaine are pro-duced in countries where the bulk is used by the local popu-

The governments concerned are often not capable of financing alternative types of farming and are unwilling to attempt control of consumption among their own addicted populations.

In Latin American countries the export of drugs has become such an important part of national budgets that huge trade deficits would occur if transactions were stopped.

Iran and Afghanistan are the major problem Afghanistan remains among areas. a big producer and illicit exporter of opium according to a recently published report of the United Nations International Narcoric Control Board, Iran plays an increasing role in opium and heroin trafficking.

Iran is a member of the commission's board and Afghanistan was invited to the session as an observer. Neither delegate was present at the opening.



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A day at the races— Rhodesian style



Expectations running high at Borrowdale Park racecourse, just outside Salisbury, where the expressions on the faces of black and white Rhodesians studying form and watching the racing betray nothing of the wider problems facing the country.

Racing is conducted by the Mashonaland Turf Club under rules of the Jockey Club of South Africa.

Photographs by Brian Harris.

in Sudan and Zaire after con-

tracting the Ebola virus, which

has marked similarities with

deaths in Anzara and Yambio,

Southern Sudan.
Symptoms of the disease begin with severe headaches.

followed by high fever and col-lapse. Rashes form all over the



Part of any military equipment given to Pakistan is likely to be pointed eastwards, towards India

President Zia fears subversion

Paris

In Pakistan, where any newspaper article critical of President Zia ul-Haq and his Government is removed by the official ment is not even possible in interval to hear the President talk one would think it was the most particular particu be left on the page. Martial law says the space must be filled with an inoffensive story.

In consequence, the current satirical joke. One of the most popular, has Ayatolish Khomeini going to see Allah to ask when all his problems will be solved. Allah replies: "Not in solved. Allah replies: "Not in your life-time." Then President Zia goes to Allah and puts the same question. Allah replies : "Not in my lifetime."

Now that joke is outdated. The latest is that when Allah made the world he forgot to give Pakistan any oil, but to make up for it he sent the Russians into Afghanistan.

President Zia has certainly been capitalizing as much as possible on his role as leader of a vital buffer state between the communist and non-communist worlds. He has dismissed the American offer of \$400m aid as "peanuts", and after Dr Zbigniew Brzezinski's visit it has been agreed to shelve that idea

for a higher assessment. The President made it clear he is looking for "durable and credible" aid from the United States, covering not only military needs but development of every kind. His country's experience of past American sup-port has been a "bitter" one. he says, but he is prepared to forgive and forget provided

President Bhutto, his indefinite postponement of elections, and his martial law regime.

He now finds himself almost able to dictate terms to the West and Islamic countries—but two things still trouble the countries approached for aid: the possibility of a Pakistani nuclear bomb and the possibility that arms supplied to Pakistan might used against India.

President Zia and his military advisers are convinced that the true danger to Pakistan of the Soviet presence in Afghanistan is not a full-blooded invasion but subversion in the form of money and practical aid sent across the border to insurgents. Whatever safeguards are given, therefore, it is more than likely that at least part of any military equipment supplied to Pakisten will be pointed eastwards towards

President Zia's main imernal effort against the Soviet Union is expressed not in military terms but in his frequent appeals for national unity. These have led to a ban on all political parties and since the Russians arrived in Afghanistan, he has used every opportunity to tell the nation that now is no time for charge.

He goes out of his way to rophasize how loyal Baluchistan is. Since Pakistan became independent, Baluchistan hes risen in open revolt on several occa-

there is a new commitment to sions and there are still thriving help his Government, with no strings attached.

Before the Soviet intervention to hear the President talk one

> capable of uniting all the tribesmen and forming a breakaway country, President Zia has every reason to fear this might happen. There is also every reason to believe this is exactly the type of movement the Russians

will try to foster.

The President also fears the effect of the Afghan refugees in his country. The strain of feeding tens of thousands of extra mouths is likely to cause economic havoc. Just how many ganuare refugees there are is questionable; certainly are is questionable; certainly some Afghans have been attracted over the border by the prospect of a free tent and four rupees a day proket money.

Worse, however, is the un-settling effect on Pakistanis of receiving large numbers of people who are supposed to be in armed conflict with their Government. Many belong to the same tribes as their Pakis-teni hosts, speak the same language, and worship in the same way. It will be surprising if they do not fan the flame of revolution, which is already flickering in Pakistan.

President Zia can perhaps take comfort from the fact that the Russians miscalculated 1 e effect of their presence on the Afghan population and cannot count on using Afghanistan as a secure base for subversion for the forseeable future.

Search for body of green monkey disease victim

From Our Correspondent Nairobi, Feb 12

A Ugandan doctor and a nurse are progressing well in a the Marburg virus. Last year Nairobi hospital after contract the Ebola virus caused 27 Naironi nospital after could acting the Marburg virus (green monkey) disease, a rare and frequently fatal disease first identified in West Germany in 1967 when several laboratory workers died after working with mon-keys imported from Uganda.

Kenyan authorities are trying to trace the body of a French-man who died in the hospital six weeks ago, soon after being admitted in a comatose state. His death was ascribed to viral henatitis and the body was later flown to France for burial,

officials said.
It is now feared that the Frenchman may have died of the Marburg virus, and may bave communicated it to Dr Shem Musoke, aged 37, and the unnamed nurse. Source unknown: After the

outbreak in West Germany, the Marburg disease next appeared in South Africa in 1975 when an Australian who was thought to have contracted it while travelling through Zambia and Rhodesia died soon after admission to a Johannesburg hospital. A woman with him and a nurse also fell ill but recovered (our Foreign staff writes). The following year, 400 died

body and bleeding occurs from gums and nose. The mortality rate from Ebola disease can be up to 90 per cent, compared with 25 per cent from Marburg disease. Doctors are hampered by the fact that diagnosis is possible only from laboratory anti-body tests not available in remote

areas. In neither case have scientists established the origi-nal bost of the virus which is why they consider the so-called green monkey disease a At Porton Down Wiltshire. where four years ago a strain of the Marburg disease nearly killed a researcher, government

researchers were standing by in case of an appeal for help from the World Health Organi-

Dr David Simpson, the con-sultant in charge of the special pathogens reference laboratory at Porton, has given advice by telephone to Kenyan medical experts.

Civil marriage coming to Greeks

Arhens, Feb 12 If you are an atheist, or an agnostic, you cannot be married in Greece as this is the only country in Europe where there is no civil marriage. Only religious weddings have legal force. Now all this is apparently go-ing to change. The first cracks have begun to appear in the wall of resistance that the Greek Church has put up to the idea of legalizing civil marriage.

Archbishop Seraphim, the Greek Primate, told a church conference on the subject last week: "We cannot blackmail people into participating in a ceremony in which they do not believe. Far too much blood has been spilt for human rights and freedom, that we cannot mock

The Greek Government has been studying this question lately, especially in the context of harmonizing its laws and institutions with those of other EEC countries. In fact, both Germany and Sweden have com-plained to Greek authorities bigamy by Greek workers who seem to have no qualms about getting married to foreign girls by civil ceremony, then desert-ing them (often with a child) for the sake of their "lawful" Greek wife back home.

The Orthodox Church of Greece has good reason to oppose the change. It draws much of its influence from the abso-

have on the clergy for the lega-lization of such events as getting married, divorced, or buried. Besides, the fees from these ceremonies have been a primary source of revenue for the

Relations between the Greek state and church were soured lately because some bishops refused to comply with a new law which made it possible for a marriage to be dissolved if the partners had been separated for six years or more, despite objections from the wronged party.

This was a one-time law, valid for only six months, designed to regularize thousands of broken marriages in which the recalcitrance of one spouse had led to the establishment of illegitimate households and a multitude of illegitimate chil-

The Government, which decided to defy the opposition of the church, enacted the divorce law. And at least two bishops, then refused to sign the divorce papers issued under this law. They have been sued for dere-

liction of duty.

Against this background there has been increasing supmany respected Greek church-men and theologians consider beneficial for the church since it would have to rely on its own merits to ellicit the flock's

marriage would certainly be a step in that direction, so the church decided to organize a public debate on this question at Penteli Monastery, which was attended by senior bishops, professors of theology, members of Parliament and of the judiciary.

The opinion that prevailed was that the church should agree to the legalization of the civil marriage, but only for the benefit of established atheists and those "who are indifferent to religion ".

During the debate, a High Court judge urged church leaders to agree so that the Greeks should have freedom of choice. "I am convinced" be choice. "I am convinced" he said, "that they will opt for a religious weeding, just as they prefer a religious burial even though it is not obligatory". It was pointed out that in the latter case the person immediately concerned was not

usually consulted. Archbishop Seraphim, who wound up the debate, said: We cannot keep people in the church by force. What is the logic in cases where we compel one who does not believe in port for a separation of church one who does not believe in and state, a separation that religion to go through the wedding ceremony? Why should the church tolerate, often knowingly, this mockery of the sacrament? We must accept the civil marriago", he added, "as an optional arrangement"

Princess opens Hongkong's new underground

forces

Hongkong, Feb 12.-Princess Alexandra today travelled in the first train to link Hongkong Island with the mainland to open the colony's underground

The railway took four-and-a-half years to build and at least 1.8 million people are expected to be using it each day by the mid-1980s. The trains and the stations lack any frills in order to make room for as many people as possible

Princess Alexandra opened the initial 9.7-mile track between Hongkong Island and the Kowloon Peninsula. A 6.5 mile extension to the new town of Tsuen Wan is still under con-

Princess Alexandra pressed a button in the driver's cab to start the silver-coloured train the four-minute journey from Tsimshatsui Station under Hongkong Harbour to Chater Station on Hongkong Island.—

Jail for night siren

Genoa, Feb 12.-Mr Blassios Manoloudis, a Greek sea captain who sez off his ship's siren in harbour at night-to stop an argument among his crew, was today jailed for two months and fined 60,000 lire (£33).

Orphans stolen from refugee camps

From Neil Kelly Bangkok, Feb 12

More than 600 Kampuchean orphans live behind barbed wire in a closely guarded section of the Sa Keo refugee camp 140 miles east of here. At Khao-I-Dang, closer to the Kampuchean border, another 1,200 orphans are generally out of sight in bamboo and gress bouses in an encampment of 112,000 Kampucheans.

About 1,000 more orphans are as hard to find in other Kampuchean refugee camps in east Thailand. Neither the children nor their adoptive parents will talk to strangers until they are satisfied that it is safe to do so. Behind those suspicions is the

fear that foreigners may abduct the orphans. Officials of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees say that 60 orphans have disappeared from Khao-I-Dang in the past two months as a result of such There is evidence, a UNHCR abductions.

official said, that a number had been stolen by people visiting the camp. Some, perhaps, were well-meaning but misguided, others were baby brokers. Consequently, adoptive parents are never far from their charges. Deciding what is best for the orphans is one of the most perplexing and emotional of all

organizations are divided on the photographs will be published issue and many governments in a book to be circulated in are under pressure to take in many countries. the children quickly and in large numbers.

toria in Australia, is examining the problem here. His Government has been urged to airlift 400 of the children immediately to Melbourne, where 400 married couples have declared their willingness to adopt them. That would run counter to

UN policy and would be opposed by the governments of Thailand, Australia and Vic-"We would not take them without the full blessing of all authorities", Mr Wood says. "We will take some providing they are orphans but it will probably be 20 or 30. I don't think we could pick up 400."

Mr Wood said he supported UNHCR policy, which states that no child should be regarded as an orphan until extensive operations have been carried out to trace relatives. Sixth months is suggested as an appropriate time for such in-

vestigations. A computer at the Australian National University in Canberra is being used for collaring infor-

refugee issues. International aid mation about the orphans. Their Some charitable organizations,

notably Terre des Hommes, Mr Alan Wood, Minister for accuse the UNHCR of "a stand-Immigration and Ethnic Affairs still " policy on the orpitans, in the state Government of Vic- and claim that every day the children spend in the camps lessens their chances of a normal life. Mr Tim Bond, a Terre des

Hommes official said: "We reject the idea that they should '- Thailand in their own culture and because they represent the future lifeblood of Kampuchea. What culture—the culture of the Khmer Rouge? Each child should be considered as an individual.

UNHCR officials defend their policy with figures. They say that 74 orphans in Khao-I-Dang have been reunited with rela-tives in the past two months.

Sindarurith, aged 14, gripped as it was explained that his mother had just been found in France. He has not seen her for five years. Those who run the orphan

centres say that if searches for lost families fail it would be best for orphans to be adopted in other countries, but until then they ask prospective adop-

for 'counter revolutionaries

Havana, Feb 12.-A campaign to stamp out .counter revolutionary activities is under way in towns and factories, throughout Cuba after President Fidel Castro's warning on December 27 that "counter revolution is again raising its head ".

President Castro told the National Assembly it was a mistake to think that after 20 years the revolution had been won. He said that revolutionaries should "never drop their revolutionaries are if no imperialist guard, even if no imperialist enemies are at work ".

In the same speech, he announced that a special 4,000man unit had been set up to weed out offenders and "keep them out of the way for as long as necessary ".

First to react to President

Castro's call were the revolu-tion defence committees, set up in 1959 and gathering most Cubans in their ranks. On January 22, Señor Armando Costa, the new national com-mittee chairman, told a meeting of the 14 provincial committees that Cubans were ready to fight any enemies of the island.

This general mobilization follows the strengthening of 24hour guards at every cross--Agence France-Presse.

Cuba on lookout | Four groups in Philippines unite against Marcos rule

Manila, Feb 12 .- Four Philip- elections ,the Mindanao Allipines political groups announced today that they would unite to form a national opposition to President Ferdinand Marcos and the rule by martial law-proclaimed more than seven years ago.

The announcement came 13 days after the country's first local elections under the emergency. The New Society Movement (KBL) of President Marcos won nearly all seats in the polls to elect 73 governors, 1,500 mayors, their deputies and local councils.

"Heretofore, the opposition was on a regional and fragmented basis, but we have the wisdom to unite to be able to project a national opposition group against Mr Marcos and martial rule", Mr Gerardo Roxa,s a former senator told

reporters.

The groups are the National Union for Liberation, which won three governorships in the

Snakes stolen

Seoul. Feb 12.-Two hundred and twenty costly live snakes, prized here as a food reputed to restore the male sexual appetite, were stolen from a South Korean shop.

ance, which won one governorship, the Pusyon Bisaya and the Concerned Citizens Group of Zamboanga City in the southern Philippines. The National Union for Liber-

ation includes former President Diasdado Macapagal, one of the most outspoken critics of Presi-dent Marcos.

The Leban or People's Power Group of former Senator Benigno Aquino, the country's most prominent political detainee, was not included in the new grouping announced today but Mr Roxas said: "I'm quite sure that he would be happy to learn that we are surely but slowly getting united". Benigno Aquino, the country'

The new group, whose name has not yet been disclosed, has five members in the interim National Assembly, which is dominated by the KBL after elections last April.

Model son

Tokyo, Feb 12.—Mark Thatcher, the 26-year-old son of

Accept outcome of defiance, journalists told

Wellington, Feb 12-Journalists who defied the law for reasons of conscience should aaccept the consequences and not seek special protection, Mr. Gerald Long, managing director of Reuters news agency, said

He told a meeting of the New Zealand National Press Club that even in a liberal country a journalist could face jail, for example, for withholding in-formation about a story's sources.

"In my opinion in those circumstances, the journalist should go to jail and society then decides through various pressures how long he stays there", Mr Long said.

"I don't believe that journalists should seek special protec-tion and I don't believe in legal protection for journalists who do not disclose their sources. If professional conscience demands that they defy the law, they must accept the conse

Mr Long repeated his criticism of New Zealand's expulsion last month of Mr Sergei Mrs Margaret Thatcher, has Zimin, the Novosti correspon-agreed to act as a model for dent, as a retaliatory measure Kanebo, a Japanese textile company. against the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.—Reuter.

Would problem children be better off at home



The number of children living in institutions is now nearly twice the adult prison population. At the end of the Inter-national Year of the Child, more British children were confined in prisons and other penal institutions, hospitals and children's homes offering varying degrees of "security" than in any year since 1908.

The overwhelming majority of these children deprived of their normal family lives have committed no offence. Those that have includes a large proportion removed from their homes for trivial offences, like stealing goods valued at less than £10, on their first court appearance. Adults charged with similar offences would stand almost no risk of being deprived of their liberty and, unlike the children, would have full rights to legal representation.

These are some of the disturbing findings of a new study In Whose Best Interests? published jointly by the Cobden Trust, the research orm of the National Council of Civil Liberties, and Mind. It shows clearly that, despite the stated intentions of public policy towards children in trouble, at risk or in need, the practice owes more to notions that sparing the rod will spoil the child than to the idea that most children need treatment rether than punishment.

Partly this is because of the tendency

by practitioners as well as the general public, encouraged by the advocates of law and order, that the characteristics of the minority of delinquent children are common to all children in care. A child received into care on a "voluntary" basis for no other reason than that his family is homeless will be asked by his peers "what are you in for?" Children attending normal schools from a community home will be the first suspects if things are stolen, whether they have a back-

Which university courses are easiest to |

get into? The onswers are confusing

because the proportion of successful candi-

dotes is not always the best indicator of

"difficult" or "easy" subjects. Last

year, for example, less than one in five

applicants to read education at university were offered a place, compared with one

in three applicants to read medicine, yet

everyone knows that it is more difficult

to get into university on medicine than on

almost any other subject.
Another important indicator of the comparative level of competition in different subjects are the "A" level grades

of the successful candidetes, though it should be remembered that Britain is

one of the very few nations where examina-tion marks are not the only determinant

If one looks at the average "A" level scores of the candidates in the 20 or so

main university subjects for entry in October, 1978 (the latest year in which

"A" level grades are aveilable), it can be seen that veterinary science is by far the most "difficult" subject, with 94 per

cent of the successful applicants gaining two grade Bs and a grade A or better, while seciology was the "casiest", with

only 5 per cent of successful applicants gaining two Bs and an A or better.

Sometimes word gots round that a par-

ticular subject is especially difficult or

casy to get into university on, and that affects the level of demand, but this does

not appear to be the case with voterinary

rcience. Candidates for veterinary science

have the lowest success rate of any uni-

versity candidates : only 18 per cent of

applicants for entry in 1979 were offered

There is a widespread view that it is

very easy to get into university on classics,

because there are so few pupils who study

classics any more. But although candidates in classics have the highest success rate

in petting into university—four out of five applicants got places last year—their " A "

New?: half of all classics candidates

last year got two Bs and an A or better,

and three-quarters got at least three Cs.

or their equivalent, compared with an average for all subjects of 27 per cent

with two Bs and an A or better, and 70

per cent with at least three Cs or its

equivalent. (For the ourpose of this exer-

cise, I have looked only at candidates with three or more "A" levels.)

A level "scores", are calculated by assigning 5 points to a grade A, 4 to a grade B, 3 to a grade C, 2 to a D, and 1 to

an E-the lowest pass grade at A level. A student with a score of 9, for example,

micht have got three grade Cs, or one

grade A and two grade Ds which could be

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level frades are well above average.

of university entrance.

results in the manner" in which courts and institutions handle difficult, disturbed and deprived children. For the children concerned, which for the purpose of the book are all those under 17, it is an unjust, hypo-critical system that denies them basic human rights.

Much of the public argument focuses on the effects of the Children and Young Persons Act, 1969, which was intended to provide treatment outside custodial insti-tutions for the majority of children in trouble or needing some kind of outside intervention. In practice, the Act has been accompanied by a big increase in the number of young offenders being sent away to penal institutions, while the number of children in care continues to rise.

The number in Borstals rose from 818 in 1969 to 1,935 in 1977, while those in detention centres increased from 2,228 to 5,757 over the same period. In 1972 there were 29.800 children in community homes, including the former "approved schools" by 1877 the same period. schools": by 1977 the number was up to 33,700. Yet the evidence presented by the study suggests that only a tenth of young offenders who end up in institutions need residential care because they are a danger to niemselves or others, have special needs that can be met only in an institution, or have intolerable home circum-

What is more, the authors argue, there is no evidence that leaving children in community homes or penal institutions is more likely than leaving them at home to modify the behaviour that put them there in tehe first place. On the contrary, they argue that Borstals, detention centres and the community homes system have very poor records in rehabilitation, with secure units apparently inducing violence in previously non-violent children.

But, the authors argue, the main reason is the lack of any coherent policy, which

University entrance:

the easy way in

can be hard to find

described as the "equivalent" of three Cs.

proportion of successful candidates with three or more A levels who obtained two

grade Bs and an A or better. Veterinary

science and medicine are at the top of the

"league", and business management studies, education and sociology at the

It is not suggested, however, that this

is the correct order of difficulty on sub-

jects on which to get into university.

Attention should also be paid to the proportion of candidates who win places in the subject of their first choice. and

also perhaps to the proportion of successful candidates who fail to achieve even three grade Cs or their equivalent.

The proportion of women among the successful candidates is given in the extreme right column on the chart. Women

extreme right column on the chart. Women form a high proportion of candidates in the two subjects at the bottom of the A level "league table", but they are also well represented in four of the top seven subjects. There appears to be no direct relationship between the proportion of successful women applicants and the "difficulty" of the subject.

The qualifications of engineering

How many get in

11,400 640 3,300 2,900 9,600

7,200 3,000 4,300 4,600

3,400 3,400 5,500 2,800

candidates accepted for the subject of their first choice

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ficulty " of the subject.

Veterinary science

Medicine

Physics

Chemistry

Geography

Economics

Accountancy

French

Biology

Dentistry

Pharmacy

Education

Civil engineering

Electrical engineering

Mechanical engineering

TOTAL, all subjects

Business management studies

Methematics

bottom.

The order of the chart follows the

charged with offences or subject to care proceedings have limited rights to legal representation, seldom see the often in-accurate report on which decisions may be based, and little opportunity to call expert witnesses to challenge them. The authors argue that it is time to drop the pretence of offering children treatment and revert to a system of defined sen-tences and a trriff system that magistrates,

children and their parents will understand.

They also want a charter of rights for children in all types of institutions adopted, so that children in homes, hospitals and other residential places have clearly defined rights to privacy and live in an atmosphere that accords much more In an atmosphere that accords much more closely to a normal life. That should be accompanied by effective legal protection for children and families against unneces-

sary or arbitrary intrusions into their lives by the authorities. All those aims would effectively reduce the number of children being removed from their homes in conditions over which they and their parents often have little or no voice. The authors also want those children who still end un in institutions to have more say in their lives. They produce disturbing evidence that tran-quillizers are being used in some homes for non-medical reasons, and call for an urgent inquiry into their use as a means of controlling children.

Lastly, the authorities urge that some of the more punitive aspects of dealing with children should co. Eorstals should be abolished, and the construction of secure units for children should by halted.

treatment of children in courts and institotions by Laurie Taylor. Ron Lacey, and Denis Bracken. The Cobden Trust, 196 Kings Cross Road, London WC1X 9DE, and Mind. 22 Harley Street, London W1N 2ED. £2.50.

students are slowly creeping up. Having

for verrs been considered an easy option

ing courses are now roughly of average difficulty both in terms of the proportion

of candidates getting in to the subject of

their choice, and in terms of A level

grades.
All these figures are derived from the Universities Central Council on Admis-

sions' annual report 1978-79, published last week, and the UCCA statistical supple-

ment to its annual report for 1977-78.

They are the averages for all universities in the United Kingdom. They do not pretend to give any indication of the ease or difficulty of getting in to read a

particular subject at a particular univerit is difficult to get into some univer-

sities on any subject. Last year, for

example, 70 per cent of successful Oxford

applicants and 80 per cent of successful

Cambridge applicants obtained at least

two Bs and an A at A level, compared

with the average for all universities of 27

A level grades of all successful candidates with three or more A levels

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three Cs

Diana Geddes

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Education Correspondent

which to get into university, engineer

Law Report February 12 1980 Court of Appeal

Shell and BP have no power over subsidiary companies' documents

within the meaning of cites rule 3(1) of the Rules of the Surreme Court.

Their Lordships dismissed an appeal by Lonrho and Compauhia do Pipeline Mocambique Rodesia. SARL (incorporated under laws of Mocambique) against the dismissal by Mr Justice Robert Goff of their claim against Shell and BP for discovery. In the arbitration proceedings, which are due to be heard before Sir Henry Fisher and Dr Mota with Lord Cross of Chelsea as umpire, the plaintiffs claim damages against Shell and BP and some 27 other oil companies for non-use of a pipeline from Beira, in Mocambious, to a refinery in eastern Rhodesia arising from the state of rebellion in Rhodesia after UDI, the use of the pipeline being governed by an agreement between the plaintiffs and certain oil companies including the defendance.

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Lorrho's claim, which involves
£100m, is for breach of contract

£100m, is for breach of contract and conspiracy.

Leave to appost to the House of Lords was granted on condition that Lourho applied for the utmost expedition in the hearing of the appeal and that the present arrangements for discovery should continue so that the present dote for the arbitration could be kent.

Order 24, rule 3(1) provides:

"... the court may order any party ... to make and serve ... a list of documents which are or have been in his possession, custody or power relating to any matter ... "

and Mr Michael Briggs for Lourho and the pipelius company; Mr Peter Curry, QC, Mr Brian Davenport and Mr Gordon Langley for Shell: Mr Robert Alexarder, QC, Mr Roger Buckley, QC, Mr Iomathan Sumntion and Mr Stephen Ruttle for BF.

The MASTER OF THE POLLS said that both Shell and BP were multi-national companies, with subsidiaries in South Africa. subsidiaries in South Africa, Rhodesia and Mocambiaue. Vere they bound to disclose in arbitration proceedings the documents of those subsidiary companies who said that they would not produce them or allow them to be inspection. ted. Those in charge of those com-panies said that production was not in their interests, and that it might make them liable to criminal proceedings in their respective countries.

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Pat Healy Umtall, in Rhodesia, a land-locked country. No doubt it was contem-Social Services Correspondent ploted by the agreement that Shell and Br and dress would stip out by tenker to Brira and then by the nineline into Rhedesla and vay royaldes to Lourbo for its use. It was called a shipper's agreement. Oil started to flow.

But UDI came, and sauctions were imposed against Rhodesla, and canticularly by a supposed against Rhodesla.

were imposed against Rhodesla, particularly by an embargo on oll. which if it had been successful would no doubt have brought those in control in Rhodesla to their knees. But oll did get through to Rhodesla. How was one matter to be inquired into.

There grew a suspicion that some British companies were concerned, and Mr T. H. Bingham, QC, was appointed by the British Government in 1977 to hold an inquiry. Almost immediately Lonrbo issued a writ against Shell. BP and other companies, including some of the subsidiaries

appointed by the British Government in 1977 to hold an inquiry. Almost immediately Lourbo issued a writ against Shell. BP and other companies. Including some of the subsidiaries claiming damages. Against Shell and BP Lourho. said they had broken the shipper's agreement by falling to ship the oil through the pipeline in breach of contract. They also alleged a conspiracy by which all the defendant companies so agreed in breach of our sanctions order prohibiting the supply of oil to Rhodesia.

The three distinguished arbitrators directed that the arbitration take place between June 23 and October this year. Documents were ordered to be prepared by each side, and Shell and BP had already disclosed over 150,000 documents. They had listed documents in their possession or power or custody in England, and many received in London from their subsidiaries in Africa. But they had not listed those which their subsidiaries had in South Africa, Rhodesia and Mozambique. That was the crux of the case.

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Almost contemporaneously with the Attorney General's announcement that there would be no prosecution, Lonrho began to insist on more and more lists of documents and discovery, saying that the lists they had received were insufficient and incomplete. They made a particular point that the documents of the subsidiaries were not listed; and they applied to be heard by the arbitrators on January 19 and 20—a Saturday and a Sunday. In the ordinary way his Lordship would have thought they were the best people to deal with it. But on the Friday the Treasury Solicitor sent a letter stating that he was instructed on stating that he was instructed on behalf of the Foreign and Com-monwealth Office that in regard to quite a number of the docu-ments the Government might intervene and say they should not be disclosed on the ground that it would be contrary to the pubit would be lic laterest.

full hearing; and Lonrho's solici-tors took out the present High Court proceedings—since arbitra-tors had no enforceable powers. if anyone wanted to enforce anything they had to come to the court under section 12(6) of the Arbitration Act, 1950, Mr Justice Robert Goff said that wir Justice Robert Goff said that the question of disclosure of the subsidiaries' lists depended on the construction of Order 24, rule 3.

Halsbury's Laws of England, laters & Paines.

Loncho Ltd and Another v Shell Petroleum Co Ltd and Another to the Rolls, Lord Justice Shaw and Lord Justice Brandon

Loncho Ltd failed in the Court of Appeal to obtain an order for discovery of material documents in the possession of subsidiaries in Industra. South Africa and Mocambique of Shall Petroleum Co Ltd and British Petroleum Co Ltd which they claimed vital for their claims in arbitration proceedings against Shell and BP which are due to start in June.

The court held that, in the case of multi-national companies like Shell and BP who hold a 100 percent company has in its sacent shareholding in subsidiary companies freorporated abroad, it is a question of fact whether the parent company has in its in a question of fact whether the parent company has in its is a question of fact whether the parent company has in its within the meaning of Order 24, rule 3(1) of the Rules of the Surreme Court.

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of Shell and BP to the approach of Shell and BP to the "principle of managerial autonomy": "the autonomy which the South African companies enjoyed was a response to a problem which confronts every major business operating in many countries, namely that the host governments insist that enterprises operating in their country he dentified with the automal interest of that country. "Local companies had to comply with local laws and base their decisions on commercial pather than political considerations. The South African and Rhoderian companies were very much locally controlled with local directors under local laws. That was very different from one-man companies in this country. The subsidiaries of multimional companies like Shell and BP had a great deal of autonomy. Did the fact that 100 per cent of the shareholding was owned by Shell or BP give the latter power over the documents? In many ordinary circumstances what the parent company requested was automatically supplied by subsidiaries as in the case of group accounts.

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Mr Sparrow had referred the court to many cases including Dainler Co v Continental Tyre Co (1916] 2 AC 339); Littlewoods Mail Order Stores v IRC (1969) 1 WLR, 1241); DHN v Tower Hamlets (1976) 1 WLR 852); and the Revion case (unreported, November 22, 1979), where there had been mention of lifting the corporate veil; but doing that did not alter the legal position of companies.

But having looked at all those cases his Lordship thought that even if the court lifted up the veil and looked at all the shareholders, the directors, the rules and articles of association, it was entirely different in the present case. For hough the parent companies might be 100 per cent or 50.50 owners of the shares in the subsidiaries, nevertheless, with regard to the documents in South Africa and Rhodesia they did not have that power over them. The directors of the subsidiaries had taken legal advice in South Africa and Rhodesia and had refused holm blank to produce them and had said that they were not obliged to make such documents available to the parent companies. They further said that In any

obliged to make such documents available to the parent companies. They further said that in any event they did not consider it to be in the best intorests of the Rhodesian companies to make them available.

They pointed our that the Rhodesian companies were subject to directions under emergency powers not to give such disclosure to persons not resident in Rhodesia. Shell and BP were only shareholders. How therefore could it be said that Shell and BP being mere shareholders had power over the documents?

The directors could not be dictated to by Shell or BP if it was not in the interest of their comnot in the interest of their com-panies. Their first duty was to their own companies and the legis-lation of Rhodesia and South Africa. If in good faith they said "We are not going to let you have them" they could not be

overruled.

Many other suggestions had been made. But there was one complete answer. The documents to be disclosed were those now in their closed ware those now in their immediate power; and they were not in the immediate power of Shell and BP. If those companies had to take further steps to get them, they were not in their immediate power and not likely to be disclosed; and his Lordship saw no obligation on Shell or BP. saw no obligation on Shell or BP to take such steps as were sugested to get the documents. The answer to the whole case was that given by Mr Justice Robert Goff. His Lordship agreed with the judge that they were not in the power of Shell and BP and therefore they were not to be disclosed. If that were wrong, ought the documents as a matter of discretion to be disclosed?

tion to be disclosed?
Looking at the Bingham report,
his Lordship would have thought
that in all the 150,000 documents of the arbitration had been fixed for June 23. The parties regarded for June 23. The parties regarded it as a matter of first importance that it should be dealt with as quickly as possible.

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domestic piece. The result was riveting.

For their first collaboration Andrew Lloyd Webber and the lyricist Don Black have contrived something like a concert cantata on parallel themes: a woman abandoned and alone; and the city of her solitude, contemporary New York. In 16 songs and 40 minutes the unnamed protagonist falls in and out of love with four men: Joe, Sheldon, the younger one and the married one. To lose four men, Lady Bracknell might have said, particularly in 40 minutes, said, particularly in 40 minutes, looks like carelessness, but the music. played by piano, drums, sax and guirar, joined for the grander passages by Harry Rabinowitz and the LPO, imposes its own conviction and heals all nagging doubts.

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The score is tender and tuneful. Two consoling melodies recur at the start of every new affair: "It" not the end of the world" and "Letter home to England", whose fainly hymnike strains the heroine tells her mather all the things she knows she wants to hear. There her mather all the things she knows she wants to hear. There are three quarrelling songs, whose spiky syntax and splintery vocal lines owe something to Company—and indeed there is respectful awareness that Manhattan is Sondheim's territory throughout—while a very funny Hollywood folksong with poolside harmonica ("Capped poolside harmonica ("Capped teeth and Caesar Salad") sounds a happy echo of Hair (" Hella, carbon dloxide"). No matter, the show is not deriva-

There has always been a literary sententiousness in some of Tim Rice's lyrics that makes it impossible to admire them completely and has drawn from Lloyd Webber his most inflated style. Tell Me On a Sunday is a new departure. Don Black favours long lines of short, chopped-up words in which each syllable is given equal value and is projected through music that somehow manages to be also flowing, long-lined and easy on the ear. Not all the rhymes may be allowed to pass (Pisces crises yes, Tracey/ Basie no!) but it is a seductive and affectionate achievement skilfully clear of the lachry-

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us to expect that the Greeks
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and the Celts will be given effects of African weaving or Amazonian feather-craft, or whatever are generally, in their own terms, very subtle and sophisticated. In the same way, one could I suppose say thet, compared with the Cypriots (the other culture currently on show at the British Museum, the Vikings were a rough and primitive let, with no centuries of rich and varied over as a package deal. Nor cultural influence backed up and the Celts will be given over to artistic pursuits, the Monator to artisti no centuries of rich and varied cultural influence backed up behind any specific product of their homogrown culture. But the overall impression left by the show is of a clear and consistent stylistic development through from the eighth to the eleventh century, an absolute command of the materials used and a design sense in which the intricate parts are always over as a package deal. Nor does it seem that the Vikings despited to five fine art silver more widely for princely domestic utensils, for jewelry ation applied to more or less functional objects, things to be per se. It is almast all decoration of weather than the vikings and in the elaboration of weather the century, and in the elaboration of weather than the vikings dies of their horses. They used domestic utensils, for jewelry and in the elaboration of weather than the course which selected the collars and bridges it seem that the Vikings dies of their horses. They used domestic utensils, for jewelry and in the elaboration of weather than the course which selected the collars and bridges it seem that the Vikings dies of their horses. They used domestic utensils, for jewelry and in the elaboration of weather than the course which selected the collars and bridges it seem that the Vikings dies of their horses. They used domestic utensils, for jewelry and in the elaboration of weather than the course which selected the collars and bridges it seem that the Vikings dies of their horses. They used domestic utensils, for jewelry and in the elaboration of weather than the course which selected the collars and bridges it seem that the Vikings dies of their horses. They used domestic utensils, for jewelry and in the elaboration of weather than the course which selected the collars and bridges it seem that the Vikings dies of their horses. They used the princely domestic utensils, for jewelry and in the elaboration of weather the course which see the collars and bridges in the course which seem the collars and the course it is almost all decoration of weather the

properly subordinate to the thing the exhibition tells us is seemingly the pagan religion. So what is so primitive Though the show does inci-

Though the show does inci-dentally explain a lot about the history of Viking expan-sion and the social set-up of the tribe, the epproach is resothe tribe, the repreach is resolutely by way of their culture. This involves, for one thing, a considerable amount of precious metal, which has of course been an important attraction in such earlier shows along the same lines as the Tutankhamun and the Genius of China. The Vikings used gold for dress ernaments, for a few of their grander for a few of their grander drinking vessels and, in a group of extraordinary pieces here from Mammen and Broa, to decorate the collars and bri-

such conspicuous consumption.
Though undoubtedly the gold or gilded pieces are going to draw the largest number of oohs and aahs—and some of them are quite beautiful, like the circular, intricately wrought brooches from the Hornelund Hoard—it is often the less inherently valuable pieces which are most expressive and attractive. The stones from Gotland carved in very low relief with scenes of ships and warriors on horseback are instantly fresh and vivid, and the wooden portals from Urnes, Norway (shown here in an excellent replica) indicate the possibilities of the style familiar in miniature in the metalwork for work on a rel-atively giant scale. The smaller carvings out of stone and ivory and antler are, owing to the nature of the materials, rather less ornate, but something like the mount carved out of an elk's antler with the helmeted head of a warrior on top

(from Sigtuna, Sweden) has the strength of its own simplicity, and offers a memorable and moving image from a world which seems, as we go round the show, ever less remote from the strength of the strength of its own simplicity. remote from our own.
The mystery is dispelled, how-

ever, not by simplistic for-mulas which tell us that not only can we understand the Roman soldier under Uricon, but we are really just the same. Instead, the works of art we are admiring are put into their social and political contexts: a reconstruction of the Hedeby House shows us how the Vikings lived; sections on their seafaring adventures in-clude plunders from as far afield as Kiev, the Caucasus and Arabia; and objects as humble as leather shoes and cooking pots and glass beads suggest something of the ordinsuggest something of the ordin-ary, everyday existence. Also, as well as admiring the intricate filigree of, say, the Martens box-brooch in gold, silver, niello and bronze, we are shown something of how it was done, even to the introduction

All the same, the approach to the Vikings through their art is finally a valid one: it is the art which stirs the imagination, and makes us want to know more about the culture which produced it. Once we are asking the questions, the exhibition is very well equipped with answers. But first we must want to know, and here the show is trium phantly successful; it contains enough beauty and splendour to show us that our initial ideas about the Vikings as coarse and primitive need radical revision, and then leads us gently along the path to understanding and apprecia-

tion.
The Vikings exhibition, part sponsored by Times News-papers, opens at the British Museum tomorrow, and runs until July 20.

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The cellist Karoly Botvay is pathos was much more suitably hardly a newcomer. For most lavished on an aria by Alessan-of the last two decades he was dro Scarlatti and on several of a member of the Bartok Quarthe Schubert songs she chose, tet, and since embarking on a solo career he has appeared in London more than once. But that was while The Times was soprano on the operatic stage silent; our first chance of noticing him was at the first of two Beethoven recitals he gave with Clifford Benson.

The initial impression he gave was not strong. He is certainly a neat and musical player, but it is less evident that he has the qualities of personality or individuality required in a soloist. Perhaps he made a mistake in beginne made a mistake in begin-ning his programme with opus 5 No 2, which is more a piano sonata with cello obbligato than a cello sonata proper, though he was no more forth-coming when he had the opportunity to press his own points in opus 69 and in opus 102 No 2. Clifford Benson, a pianist who thrives on dia-logue, seemed rather thrown off-balance by the lack of in-teresting ideas from his

partner.
I could have wished, also, for a more engaging tone from Mr Botvay. He had some difficulty Botvay. He had some difficulty in forging the sounds of his four strings into a single coherent voice, and he was unwilling to take the alternative course of capitalizing on the differences. As a result his upper register stood out for its nasal quality and his lower for nasal quality and his lower for its gruffness, both distracting attention from the firm tenor range which is his greatest

A more usual debut recital was that given by the soprano Lynda Russell, though more than usual was the promise she showed. At this stage, however, it is still largely promise. Miss Russell has a clear voice and a sure command stretching right to the top of her range, but she handles herself with too much caution, so that her tone can often be breathy when it has no need to be and her expression can seem over-contrived. sion can seem over-contrived.

It was especially so in her
Debussy songs, which should
have been left to speak for
themselves with the minimum
of emphasis and dynamic shading (nor should the poems have been subjected to such uprostriously literal translations as were offered in the word

Miss Russell's cloquent

ns well as on the recital platform. But first she will need to pain the confidence to hold her head higher and sing out from the position of strength which she indubitably holds. When she was most at ease, in a group of Richard Strauss songs in the second half, her voice became fuller and more

rounded without losing any of

expressive range character. There were also several new faces at the extensive double recital given by the Greater London Arts Association's "Young Musicians 1980", though since each was res-tricted to 20 or 30 minutes any judgment will have to be provisional. The planist Barry Douglas, for instance, showed himself to have the storming reserves of technique and energy needed for two big showpieces by Liszt, the B minor Ballade and the Mephisto Waltz No 1, but he was clearly just beginning to get into his stride when his spot ended. I suspect that he might have become less solid

more clean-cut, exciting brilliance. Paul Barritt and William Howard, a violin-piano duo, offered a much more varied and well chosen programme, and consequently were able to present a wholler picture of themselves as musicians, Aud very interesting the result was.
Their selection of Brahms's
"FAE" scherzo, Webern's
opus 7 and the first movement
of Poulenc's Sonata spoke of
seriousness, and this was coupled with a fine attention to phrasing and nuance which made the Webern, particularly, unusually dense with subtle meaning. Mr Barritt is not a flashy player and he evidently prefers the darker, more viola-like tones of his instrument; but this introversion becomes a strength when it does not inhibit a rare musical intelli-

in his virtuosity if he had been

able to continue, for in the Mephisto Waltz he was starting

to flavour his playing with a

Paul Griffiths

Jack Doyle Lyric Studio, Hammersmith

Ned Chaillet

Green Fields and For Away are purveyors of Irish drama to the United Kingdom-a theatrical troupe who lead a gypsy-existence presenting Irish plays in pubs and arts centres, in productions usually directed by the founder, Roland Jaquarello. Jack Doyle- The Man Who Boxed Like John McCormack! is the frantic title of their most recent performance, a specially commissioned play on the life of the Irish boxer who traded fair skill in the ring and a minor talent for singing into great success, two wives, drunkenness and a destitute death.

Ian MacPherson's bumptious entertainment is at least written with enthusiasm and some wit, and Mr Jaquarello hastens the actors through the sprawling biography with a speed that occasionally resembles hysteria. With that much energy, and songs as well, it is uncommon to find long soporific passages but Mr MacPherson's text has one commanding weakness. His fondness for whimsy and tired okes sometimes leads the actors into strenuous labours in pursuits of a poor punchline. It is tiring to watch such fruitless work.

Seen as an over-inflated pub play, with 13 actors and a pianist, the production has in it the material of delight and some funny writing. Mr Mac-Pherson inserts a line at the very beginning that pleads comically for the audience's indulgence. Old Jack Doyle, in an ante-room of heaven, waits to see God. He announces that he is only appearing in the play because "I'm hoping a proper writer will see it, and do something decent ".

Note that Mr MacPherson's God is a woman, that Saint Peter is a harassed burcaucrat and that old Jack Doyle is on hand to romanticize the misadventures of a young Jack who is acting out an approximation of the historical events. It is Mr MacPherson's intention to Mr MacPherson's intention to use these elements to excuse the earthly flaws of Doyle. finally to permit him to waltz into God with a nun on his arm and to turn his charms to a female Deity, winning salvation through blarney. Inconsistently, after letting Doyle moan converted to the second wife over the loss of his second wife to Marlon Brando for a quarter of the play, the finale is a rousing, sung declaration that he has no regrets.

Neither the young nor the old Doyle achieves the definition that the parts require, but in the legion of faus, wives, lovers and hangers-on there are marvellously detailed perform-ances. I most admired the versatility and confidence of Paul O'Keeffe as everything from a newsboy to a general.

Schütz Consort Oueen Elizabeth Hall

Schütz Choir long ago refused to restrict their efforts to the

works of the composer from whom they took their name. Schütz's older contemporary Monteverdi has long been in their repertory and, in keeping with Norrington's editions for Kent Opera of the extant Monverdi operas, he and his concert singers have been examining the books of madrigals afresh in search of the sort of sound they made during the composer's life-time. On Monday they turned to the eighth volume, the "songs of love and war", in which Montayardi warlisted which Monteverdi exploited what he claimed as a new agitated style", or stile concitato.

These last of his madrigals were not for an unaccompanied choir, large or small, but for solo voices, mostly in ensembles, with instrumental accompani-

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Roger Norrington and his Schütz Choir long ago refused eschewed, except as a special effect (which it remained until young Verdi's time two cenyoung turies later-be quite often specifies it for passionate vocal

The agitated style, Monte-

verdi realized, was appropriate to both bellicose and erotic expression. His warlike madrigals do include the marrial com-bat of Tancred and Clorinda oncert last year), but mostly they deal with wars of the amorous heart. "There are such fine victories in the wars", begins one duet for two tenors, and the textually uninformed listener might well imagine two warriors preparing for combat. But these are wars of love,

in the household. Never content

to imitate an established read-ing, he had some revealing

touches, not least the look of

surprise, almost disapproval,

that answers Natalia's first indication of special interest.

There is something studied about his response to the in-

fatuation all the household's ladies develop; definitely a young man with an eye to the main chance.

suited to Katia, the maid, never blurring the distinction

between servant and mistress as some of her predecessors in the role have done. Her duet

with Silver took on a distinc-

tively vigorous character, with

a quality sometimes recalling Slav folk dances: something that has not been obvious

Jacqui Tallis is admirably

An exception is the ballet "Volgendo il ciel", composed

ment. So the Schütz Choir gave way to the vocal Schütz Consort, a group of eight soloists, several Emperor Ferdinand. It prays Emperor Ferdinand. It prays for peace and love, but ends by exploiting Ferdinand's' bloody martial achievements. The concert gave good measure, just over half of the volume's contents, and including such glorious pieces as the "Lamento della ninfa", in which the soprano's complaint is punctuated by anguished commiseration from three male voices, and the famous "Hor che"ciel", its contrasts of sombre harmony and agonized anima-tion powerfully conveyed.

> Norrington and his forces were able to communicate the virtuosity and the harmoniousness of those madrigals: More vibrato was heard than pro-mised, though vocal lines were clean: when sopranos or violins made the determined effort, more often than not they sounded shrill or sour. The pro-gramme did not identify which singer sang in which madrigal, though Neil Jenkins and Peter Hall gave a vivid account of "Se vittorie".

A Month in the Country Covent Garden

John Percival

Frederick Ashton's Turgenyev ballet teetered on Monday between moments of greatness and others at risk of causing giggles. That is because she bravely went all out for a performance of heroic scale instead of approaching her role cautiously. Some passages succeeded splendidly; then her whole body seemed ablaze with Natalia's feelings. At other moments, a hand movement too flamboyant or a pose not quite full-blooded enough detracted from conviction and made the

Merle Park's first attempt at

big scale look false. But this is an impressive reading, already close to success, enough and is obviously trying hard to act too, but has nothing between a cheerful grin and a Mark Silver was Beliaev, the tutor who causes such a stir

Stuttgart Piano Trio St John's

Judith Nagley

The customary welcome accorded by St Johu's and the BEC to visiting ensembles gave us the chance on Monday lunchtime to hear the Stuttgart Piano Trio, whose well-chosen programme of Haydn and Beethoven attracted a near-capacity

They began with Beethoven's one-movement Trio in B flat, written in 1812 for the very young Maximilian Brentano, to magnificent opus 109 Sonata. with a neatness typical of this The Trio, designed to encourage group's fine ensemble playing. a child's efforts at the keyboard, is slender in structure 70 No 2, was composed in 1808, convincingly done.

but well endowed with lyrical melody, and tenders a greater challenge to the young pianist than Monika Leonhard's fluent

and poised reading suggested.

In Haydn's C minor Trio the strings were more prominent, with generally well-matched violin and cello rone in the fully-scored passages, though the cello seemed a shade reti-cent at moments where the bass line needed more projection. A tasteful combination of classical restraint and romantic expressiveness in the Adagio stressed the transitional nature of Haydn's style here. monic quirks in the variations, and rhythmic surprises later whom he later dedicated the on, were convincingly handled,

Beethoven's E flat Trio, opus string players were stylishly and

grimace of distress, and setting her beside Wayne Sleep's irresistible portrait of boyish high spirits as Kolia destroys whatever chance she had of passing for an adolescent.

Covent Garden have asked me to exonerate Emanuel Young from all blame for the playing of Schumann's A major Quartet last Friday and I am happy to do so. Their programme was wrong in naming him as conductor; in fact there was none. The four players had got their number a little more together by Monday, but still without the distinction this music

On stage, Wayne Eagling danced Four Schumann Pieces. with a more controlled impetus; his is now rather a good per-formance except for his oddly curved tours en l'air. The rest Wendy Ellis seems less happily cast as Vera, Natalia's young ward. She dances neatly enough and is obviously trying hard to act too, but has nothing much more convincing than on harmen a cheerful grin and a lite last Covent Garden run. its last Covent Garden run.

the same year as the "Pas-

toral" Symphony, and has its wealth of melody in common with the larger work, as well as its most dramatic moments. The haunting theme of the introduction, softly outlined by the cello and piano, was a pianissimo of almost breathtaking restraint, carefully timed to lead easily and naturally into the Allegro. Lingering phrases of dialogue in the second movement were exchanged a trifle uneasily, but the screne Minuet, which does noble duty for a slow movement, was carefully shaped. A fierce initial attack on the finale had us all sitting to attention. There was a good sense of harmonic direction, and clean lines of counterpoint. and the remarkable cadenza-

like interpolations for each

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Cast changes in the theatre: Jones for McKern, Ogilvy for Bates

gence.

Leo McKern, currently playing the title role in Rollo at the Royal Exchange Theatre, Manchester, has had to withdraw 6, with a preview the evening from the forthcoming production of The Processor who expended tion of The Dresser at the same theatre. McKern has been ill and although he has not missed and although he has not missed Simon Gray's comedy-thriller a performance of Rollo, doctors Stage Struck, at the Vaudeville feel that the strain of rehears. ing one major role while playing another is too much in the circumstances. The part in The Dresser twhich also stars Tom

joining the cust.

Ian Ogilvy joins the cast of Theatre, on March 17 when

Sale of BSC works to private sector 'an excellent solution'

House of Commons If British Steel wished to sell off some of its plants which might otherwise be closed, this would be an excellent solution, Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, sald at question time.

Mr Ivor Stanbrook (Bromley, Orpington, C) raised the matter, ask-ing: "Has the Prime Minister seen the suggestion that the profit-mak-ing sector of his steel industry should take over some of the assets of British Steel and show them how to operate at a profit? Mrs Thatcher-

The private sector of steel in operating in the same world in which the British Steel Corporation is making heavy losses. There would be no objection from the Government if the corporation wishes to sell off some of its plants which might otherwise be closed. It would be an excellent solution. Mr William Garel-Jones (Watford. Mr Wilham Garet-Jones (Watford, C)—Would the Prime Minister consider the case of a member of my union, ASTMB, working as a nurse in British Steel who has felt obliged to resign her job after pressure on her to contribute to the strike funds

Incidents of this kind bring the trad union movement into directions.

trad union movement into disre-pute and make it difficult for the Government to introduce moderate reforms of trade union law. (Conservative cheers.) Mrs Thatcher-Incidents of that

Mrs Tratcher—Incidents of that kind bring the trad union movement iato disrepute, but I think have demonstrated the need for this Government to strengthen the law and get ahead with its trade union reforms. (Conservative

she consider the plight of the en-gineering industry? Many en-gineering companies will soon run short of steel, even though stocks

Getting the

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The present Government was the

only one likely to pursue a policy to bring the nation to live within

its means, Mrs Margaret Thaicher, Prime Minister, said during exchanges with Mr James Calla-ghan, Leader of the Opposition, about the minimum lending rate.

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What has gone wrong (he asked)
with the Prime Minister's mone-

had high increases in public expenditure last year . . . (Labour

Interruptions).
Surely the ex-Chancellor of the

Surely the ex-Chancellor of the Exchaquer (Mr Denis Healey) does not argue with that? It is a matter of fact in the expenditure White Paver. Terhaps he is referring to himself.

We have to attempt to reduce the expenditure. When it is reduced and when we can get the borrowing down, the interest rate will go down. We shall be grateful for some support in reducing expenditure. (Conservative cheers.)

cheers.)
Bir Callaghan—As the MLR was put up to 15 per cent last June when the Chancellor of the Exchequer (Sir Geoffrey Howe) told us that it was for a few days only before it came down, what has gon ewrong with the Government's policy? (Labour cheers.)

Now that we have had a record minimum lending rate of 17n per

minimum lending rate of 17n per cent for two months, is the Prime Minister proud of herself?

Mrs Thatcher-It was, in fact, 14

Mrs Thatcher—It was, in fact, 14 per cent, not 15 per cent. But Mr Callaghan does not care a tuppeny damn about one per cent.

We need to get public expenditure down furter. The business of a nation that has been living beyond its means coming to live within its means, is distinctly uncomfortable. We shall pursue the policy of reducing public spending as a proportion of national income.

Mir Callaghan-That means the

Mrs Thatcher-it means this Gov-

ernment is the only one that is likely to pursue a policy which will bring the narion to lilve within its

means—a policy totally rejected by the Opposition. (Conservative cheers.)

Queen's Flight

need replacing

At a time when the Government was presiding over a national economy of sack cloth and ashes, it was the height of absurd extravegence to spend a single penny on the Queen's Flight, Mr. William Hamilton (Central Fife, Lab) said during questions about re-equip-

during questions about re-equip-ping the flight with modern air-

craft.

- He asked—Can we be told on how many occasions in the last year these aircraft have been used for purely social occasions to fly—)Conservative interruptions)—privileged people to places to shoot defenceless birds out of the air?

Mr Geaffrey Pattie, Under Secre-tary of Defence for the RAF (Chet-

tary of Defence for the RAF (Chet-say and Walton, C)—I somehow thought he might seek to get in on this one. On no occasion in the past year has the Queen's Flight been used for such purposes. Some 35 per cent of all these flights are by non-Royal persons such as Service Chiefs and Govern-ment ministers, or whichever Gov-

ment ministers, of whichever Gov-ernment. Mr Hamilton should not

let this become another excuse to

parade his prejudice.

aircraft

still exist in this country. Has the Government any plan to ensure that this steel can reach those companies which need it? Mrs Thatcher—So far most industry has kept going extremely well, in spite of the shortage of steel. One of the factors those going on strike have to consider is the effect which their strike would have on their fellow workers lu other industries.

I hope that will weigh heavily with them in the decision they take to get back round the negotiating Mr Roger Moate (Faversham, C)-

Will she invite the Leader of the Opposition to join her in sending a message of congratualations to the employees of the Sheerness Steel Company on the Isle of Sheppey who have refused to be intimidated to make the property of the sheet o who have refused to be infimidated by mass picketing and have demo-cratically asserted their right to carry on working despite mas-picketing and some pretty unplea-sant practices inflicted upon them by visiting pickets? Their corage and determination has earned the respect and admira-tion of the whole local community. (Conservative cheers.).

(Conservative cheers.).
Mrs Thatcher—These wrikers are
exercising their lawful right to gu about their business and continue to earn a living for themselves and their families. I congratulate them. It is notable that private sector steel in the same world as the British Steel Corporation is able to law and get ahead with its trade make a profit and to contribute to the cost of health and education and all the other things of which we want more in this country.

Alarm over horrific chemical weapon

The availability of chemical weapons to the Warsaw Pact countries was giving the Government anxiety and it was considering what its actitude to it ought to he, Mr Francis Pym, Secretary of State for Defence, said at question

He was speaking during questions about his meetings with his Nato colleagues. He said that personally he wished the increase in defence spending was greater than it was going to be.

Mr John Evans (Newton, Lab) had asked: When he meets his Nato colleagues, will he make clear there are many people who do not believe that the British economy can bear a 3 per cent per annum increase in defence expenditure? Despite the howis of outrage from the Conservative rightwing, will be make clear that he has no plans further to increase defence

Mr Pym (Cambridgeshire, C)—He is right to draw the attention of the House to the state of the the House to the state of the economy. We have also to draw our attention and that of the House to the threat which we face. Notwithstanding economic difficulties a further effort on defence is required. The whole alliance takes this ribus the state of the state of

ties, a further effort on defence tion is undoubtedly required and that is why we attach such importance to it.

Mr Robert Banks, (Harrogate C)—Will he discuss the reports that the Soviet Upion used chemical weapons producing perve gas in the occupation of Afghanistan? Will he look into ways in which the Nato forces can defend themselves agains: such weapons? Mr Pym-I am not able to confirm or deny whether chemical weapons were used in Afghani-ens. The protection of our own forces against this horrific type of warfare is thought to be cer-

chemical capability by the Warthe same relations of the war-saw Pact countries. It is a borrific weapon, some-thing that gives us analety and something that is not sufficiently criticized. We are considering at

something that is not surricently criticized. We are considering at present what our attitude to it ought to be.

Mr Robin Cook (Edinburgh, Central, Lab!—When he meets his Nato colleagues will be remind them of the assurances given in this House and elsewhere that the decision to deploy cruise missiles could be accompanied by a new initiative on arms control?

Mr Pym—Events in the world have produced a cold climate for detente and arms control but in no way has that altered the importance this Government attaches to arms control. The offer remains on the table. What has been put there so far has been rejected effectively by the Warsaw Pact countries.

untries. That is unfortunate. It is an important part of our policy. Unless and until the other side are prepared to follow the policy of a balanced and verifiable reduction, it behaves us to be cautious.
Mr William Rodgers, chief Oppo-

culties a further effort on defeace is required. The whole alliance takes this view.

From my own points of view, From my own points of view, I would rather that increase was greater than it is going to be.

Despite the economic difficulties. tion we have been facing in Afghanistan? How far would in-creased defence spending have helped to stabilize the regime in

Iran?
Surely he does not believe that increased defence spending is itself a solution to what are essentially political problems.
Mr Pym—I have not pretended that any further spending on defence would be specifically directed to what happened in Afghanistan or to events in Iran Afghanistan or to events in Iran or the Middle East.
The question is what is the total capability that Nato requires

Mr Stephen Ross (Isle of Wight. L) asked whether there was a role for the hovercraft in South-East

Mr Fym said that there had been tests with the hovercraft and its value had been shown to be sub-stantial.

Mr John Roper, an Opposition defence spokesman (Farnworth, Lab)—is the Secretary of State satisfied with the capacity for

simultaneous parachute drops? Will he take account of that in

Mr Cyril Townsend (Bexley, Bexleyheath, C)—This prestigious flight is equipped with 15-year-old turbo-prop planes. It is one of the flight's roles t odisplay to potendal total capability that wate required to deter a potential aggressor in the light of the growing strength of a potential aggressor. That is the point. I cannot he, nor would it be right to be, specific vis-a-vis of warrare is thought to be ter-tainly as good, and perhaps better of a potential aggre-than, any army in Europe. That is some reassurance but what is it be right to be, spe alarming is the existence of a events in Afghanistan buyers abroad the latest and best in British aviation. Mr Pattie—I do not know if that was ever the flight's original role, but it is certainly not now. The matter is beining closely looked into. The whole cost would fall on

the defence budget and there are competing claims. Mr James Wellbeloved (Bexley, Erith and Crayford, Lab)—It would be a misapplication of defence funds, particularly the RAF proportion, to spend more on the Queen's Flight when we have other deficiencies, particularly in air defence. air dfence.

hir Pattie—We would have to look our rathe—we would have to look at the present study and the various uses for the VIP flights, including the Queen's Flight, and see if new equipment will be needed. At some time the Andovers will have to be replaced. The question is whether it will be British equipment.

Adoption law

Mr Allen Adams (Paisley, Lab) was given leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the adoption of children in Scotland. Mr Pym—I am not sure that I am satisfied with anything, but that capability is under review at

Mobility of UK forces

It may be possible to increase British forces' transport capability.

Mr Francis Pym, Secretary of State
for Defence said during exchanges
in which Mr David Price (East. Mr Francis Pym, Secretary of State for Defence said during exchanges in which Mr David Price (Eastleigh, C) had asked, in view of the growing Soviet threat to the stability of South-West Asia, what additional strengthening Mr Pym Intended to make of the forces' mobile capability.

Mr Pym (Cambridgeshire, C) told him HM forces already have the capability to deploy worldwide to meet various Contingencies. A Royal Navy task group deploys every year outside the Nato area. The current operation in Rhodesia has demonstrated the Army's and RAF's ability to respond to a non-All three Services have a regular programme of training and exer-

cises with friendly countries. capability However, in the light of recent present.

No shortage of suitable candidates as trustees for new heritage fund provide a sum broadly equivalent to the balance in the National Land The National Heritage Bill was the first major piece of legislation on preserving the national heritage for more than 30 years, Lord Mowbray, Segrave and Stourton, a Lord in Waiting, said in moving the second reading of the Bill, which has passed the Commons.

He said that the Bill would make a significant contribution towards preserving the national heritage which was continually at risk from the ravages of time and

risk from the ravages of time and the cheque books of overseas The Bill established a National Heritage Memorial Fund which would give financial assistance in preserving items of national heritage quality. The Government did

not expect the trustees to go into the business of running country bouses or to set up museums and galleries. The initiative would lie with the wide range of non-profit ance. It would be for them to identify items of heritage quality and to approach the trustees for

National heritage was a some-what illusive concern which delied exact description. Rather than run the risk of excluding items by drawing too narrow a statutory definition, the Government had elected to leave it to the trustees to judge what could be considered as

Fund—expected to be £15,500,000—for the National Her-itage Memorial Fund and for expenditure on acceptance in lieu. That would mean upwards of £12m for the new fund. That was would have liked but given the financial situation, neither was it paltry nor ungenerous. Properly invested, that capital would pro-vide sufficient income for the trus-

In future years the Government considered that £5,500,000 a year would be made available divided between the trustees and acceptance of items in Heu.

No decision had been taken on No decision had been taken on the appointment of the trustees. There was no shortage of high calibre candidates. The trustees should not be experts or specialists. They would be required to seek expert advice. They should have a wide general knowledge of the arts and heritage. The Government wished to bridg

the fund into operation as soon as possible after April 1 this year. Lrd Winstanley (L) sald it was essential that the trustees should have adequate funds to accomplish the immense task with which they

They should not be put in the position of having to make judgments between one property and For the coming financial year another whe nall required presented Government had decided to vation.

The trustees should be aware of oil the eleganc ein the national heritage and it was essential that landscape should not be disregarded. There was a desirability to main tain properties as a whole; their contents, surroundings, and the environment in which they were

Lady Airey of Abingdon, in a maiden speech, said amail manor hourses, while not necessarily conthining great works of art, were in their way a vital facet of the national inheritance. Although the Bill was a grea

step forwards there were still the problems of repairs and VAT.

I would plead with the Chancel lor of the Exchequer (she said) that he do something about VAT for the historic houses and all historic monuments.

If this proved difficult an alternative would be to establish a listed building repair allowance. Lord Gibson (Ind) said that the Government had not given the Government had not given the trustees the freedom they deserved and which they must have if they were to be fully effective. Why not leave the tactics to the brustees and tell them they could acquire property but might not hold it for over a year? Lady Saltonn, in a maiden speech said that the BIN was long overdue if any of Britain's historic heri-tage and old buildings and contents

were to survive or remain in this country for much longer.

Minister does not expect drop in nursery education places as a result of change in law

Local Education Authoricles should have the power but not the duty to provide education for children under compaisory school age, Mr. Mark Carlisle, Secretary of State; for Education and Science, said in introducing a Government new clause (Nursery Education: England and Wales) during the report stage of the Education (No 2) Bill.

A pumbar of other clauses and

A number of other clauses and amendments were also considered.
Mr Cartisle (Runcorn, C) said it was the intention of the clause to make it clear that this would Mr Callaghan (Cardiff, South-East. Lab) recalled a speech by the Secretary of State for Employment (Mr James Prior) in which he said the biggest handicap small business had to Suffer was the 17 per cent to make it clear that this would be a power and not a duty, and to convert into a power and not a duty the duty applied under the present law by which one local education authority paid another if it was providing education for such a child.

such a child.

These provisions were not intended, and nor should they be taken as, an indication of any reduction of interest by the Government in the provision of education for those under five.

The Government was still anxious that local education authorities should make as much provision of education as possible consistent with the available resources.

Last year Oxfordshire County Council proposed to close all its nursery schools and classes in the county and to replace them with alternative provisions of educa-tion for those under five, and the chief education officer was asked to draw up a scheme.

The council's resolution started a great deal of controversy, particularly as to whether it was able to do this and whether there

r-fives.

e department had already
looking at what were the
requirements relating to nureducation. It was clear that over the years, certainly until some of them had the benefit of hindsight, everyone expected that the provision of nursery education was a discretionary power of

It was equally clear that there was a statutory duty to provide schools for those under five, but it was also a fact that that statutory duty itself was truclear.

In the present Education Act there were powers requiring the LEA to provide primary educa-tion—full-time education—svitable for the requirements of junior pupils. This applied to those under five as well as those over five since the definition of junior pupil was under the age of 12.

be. Equally, although this had been Equally, although this had been misunderstood by many people, there was clearly no duty, nor had there was clearly no duty, to provide nursers schools or education, because the only reference to them was that in carrying out their duty to provide education for those under five, they should have regard—and no further than have regard—to the needs for securing that provided by providing nursery schools.

However anxious both sides of

However amaious both sides of the House might have been to meet the Plowden Committee recommendations both had had to accept when it came to implemen tation that it could only be done within the resources available.
There was no point lu keeping in existence a shadowy duty which was probably unenforceable and in present circumstances unobtain

The Government believed firmly in the value of nursery education for all young children. It remained its long-term aim. It was particularly valuable for the handicapped and children from disadvaninged backgrounds and they must have priority in the provision of resources in the short term.

Over 70 per cent of existing sursery education provision was already in areas of social need as a result of provision made over the years through the urban and inner city programmes and the Government would continue to support nursery education projects in these programmes. these programmes.
It had provided with the 1980-81 rate support grant settlement for expenditure on under fives, includ-

ing those in primary schools, to remain at roughly the present Although he could not anticipate the expenditure White Papers of future years, he was confident that they would be able to maintain a substantial provision for the under-fives, particularly if LEAs could themselves find ways of could themselves flud ways of educing the individual cost of educating a child.

That could be done. If they

could make use of the classrooms released as a result of falling primary school rolls as a means of providing for the education of the under-fives this could be achieved without expensive adaptations.

It had been put to him that the

Aerospace will stay in British hands

The Government was confident that in the private sector the skill, rechnology, experience and dedication of those who worked in the aircraft industry would flourish unencumbered by the controls and

department had examined

carefully the implications of charging for nursery education. While it was possibly true that a modest charge could in some cases help to tip the scale between reducing existing provision he did not believe it would lead to the opening of new schools and classes.

Any scheme would have in practice to exempt those in receipt of supplementary benefit and family income supplement.

Any system would bring in little income and would risk depriving of nursery education those of nursery education those calldren who were in the greatest need of its benefits. In present circumstances it would not be right to introduce charging.

Changing the duty to provide education for under-fives to a power would not in itself cause Resources—not whether it was a power or a duty—were the key.

It was not his intention that the new clause should be seen as an invitation to local authorities to invination to local authorities to abandon nursery education. One or two authorities were considering the closure of some or all of their nursery provision. While this was a course of action which might be regretted, locally elected councillors must decide themselves on these matters.

He was proposing one additional safeguard on such action. An amendment to Clause 12 was designed to ensure that where a LEA proposed to cease to maintain a nursery school it should be required in precisely in the same

tain a nursery school it should be required in precisely in the same way as in the case of primary or secondary schools to publish their proposal giving two months for objections to be submitted.

Mrs Ann Taylor, an Opposition spokesman on education (Bolton, West, Lab) said the Government should take responsibility for the changes which were being introduced.

We should realize (she said) that this new clause is not there simply to clarify the law but to change the Councils such as Oxfordshire would now try to go ahead with their plans. Others would try to follow and from now on, there would be nothing in law to stop them doing so. them doing so.
Would Mr Carlisle six back and

watch local authorities closing nur-sery centres if they decided to?0 Mr Cartisle said a local authority

to not more than 15 per cent of the

Mr Leslie Huckfield, an Opposition

spokesman on industry (Nuncaton, Lab), said this measure must be strongly resisted. There was no guarantee in the Bill or in what the

Minister of State had said that the Minister of State had said that the industry could be kept in Britain's control. Just when other governments were increasing their involvement in their acrospace industries this Government felt it

Authorities send children under five to school, the moment inhibiting, and he wished. But to suggest that an although there was a requirement was asking his department to authority could not have done this department to provide sufficient schools. It consider whether those standards previously was wrong, was impossible to say what that were too tight on nursery education premises.

Secretary level of provision could be held to provide the provide that the provide that the provide that an authority could not have done this previously was wrong.

Mrs. Taylor—Will he give an approximation and he wished. But to suggest that an authority could not have done this too previously was wrong.

Mrs Taylor---Will he give an assurance that he would not approve the wholesake breaking-up of nursery education in any partic ular area? Mr Carlisie said he obviously could not give an assurance in the mrms she asked for. But under the nor-

mal procedure every case for a closure would have to be publicated; people could object and the case would have to be considered on its merits. Mrs Taylor said this new clause had been introduced to allow local

money—a false economy because unless children got a good stort there would be problems for the education service and outside it.
One of the Opposition amendments being considered called for nursery education to be available as of right to every four year old. Unless this was written in, there would be little pressure from can-tral government on local authori-

rem authorities charging for nur-sery school, classes. Yet another meant that nursery education should be provided as of right to children in families on family inchuloren in families on family in-come supplement or supplemen-nary benefit or those belonging to one parent families.

One more amendment stated that any nursery schools now in exis-tence should not be closed. rence should not be closed. Mr Christopher Patten (Bath, C) said he believed in the importance of nursery education. He had, seen how much his own children had gained from it and it was a plty that more children had not had the henefit of it. benefit of it.

Mr Andrew Bennett (Stockport, North, Lab) said it was a sad day when governments had to come along and say they must encourage or allow local authorities to reduce their commitment to nursery education. They ought to be making a firm commitment to it and making resources available. making resources available.

Mr Harry Greenway (Ealing, North, C) said he was convinced the new Government clause on nursery education would be sensitively interpreted by the Secretary of State and that he would do all be could to preach the value of nursery education.

Consequently, MPs and a deep

Conservative MPs had a deep commitment to education of children at the nursery stage. The new clause was carried by 294 votes to 244 Government majority, 50.

Air defence missile for the TA

Mr Barney Hayhoe, Under Secre-sary of Defence for the Army, in a written reply, said—Subject to the negotiation of acceptable contract terms, the Government expects shortly to place a contract worth well over £20m with Short Brothers Ltd of Belfast for the supply of more Blowpipe air defence missile systems of the Territorial Army.

Shorts are already engaged in the manufacture of Blowpipe for the regular Army, the Royal Marines and the Territorial Army, and the new order will help ensure continued work on the project for a number of years.

Charges for water already too high

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said at question time that she hoped that water workers demanding more pay would re-member that the extra money would have to be found by people who had far less than a large numbers of the workers them-

Mr Michael Shersby (Hillingdon, Larridge, C) asked—Will she con-vey a message to the water workers. urging them to seek a moderate and sensible pay settlement and convey a message that strike action which would shut off the nation's water supply and endanger sewage treatment cannot be tolerated? Mrs Thatcher (Barnet, Finchley. Mrs. Thatcher (Barnet, Findiney, C.)—Aiready most of us believe that water charges are high. I hope that those demanding more will remember that that more will have to be met by people who have far less than a large number of workers themselves.

Mr Robert Brown (Newcastle upon Tyne, West, Lab)—The workers in the water industry are simply trying to recoup themselves for the raging inflation that has been created by Government policies. mrs Thatcher—The amount which has been offered is in excess of the retail price index, even taking account of the increase in Vat which went up quite deliberately through to the increase will work through to the increased price of water,

I do not know what he has in his postbag, but I have a large number of complaints already about the level of the water rate.

Appeal to BL men not to strike over pay

Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, appealed to British Leyland workers not to take industrial action following the result of the RI, hallot. She said: I hope in view of their

excellent production record last wonth they will together consider how to go forward and get the company back into prolimbility. She was answering Mr William Sheiten (Lambeth, Streatham, U) who pointed out that the Leyland workers had relused to accept the ompany's offer. What results (he asked) does the Prime Minister expect this will have on the future of the company

ard its car salas ? Mrs Thatcher—I hope naturally they will not take industrial action. The ballot was not to take industrial action. British Leyland has severe problems on its hands inview of its high stocks and the industrial to figure 2 mrs. inability to finance any more

stocks.

Already some £1,900m of public money has gone into BL.

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Parliamentary notices Today at 2.15: Dabage on the economy, interpretation of Legislation Bill, second

cation of those who worked in the aircraft industry would flourish uneacumbered by the controls and influence of government unavoidable in a nationalized industry, Mr Adam Butler, Minister of State for Industry (Bosworth, C) said on Mooday night when the British Aerospace Bill received its third reading by 302 votes to 235—Government majority, 67. He said the Bill held out the best prospect for the future of British Aerospace and its employees. The whole business of the present satutory corporation was to be transferred to a company initially a striction in the company's compowned entirely by the Government situation to limit foreign ownership House adjourned, 12.33 am. Warning from Mr Jenkins on threat to economy of EEC

was time to pull the rus out.

The policy of the Labour Party and TUC was that the next Labour government would re-nationalize this industry without compen-

Strasbourg

Stranding Stranding of the United Kingdom from full particl-pation in the European mouetary system was to be regretted. Mr. Ray Jenkins, President of the EEC Commission, said in his general report for 1979 and programme for the Commission this year. Without the Commission this year, Without sterling the system was markedly incomplete.

Mr Jenkins—In many ways 1979
should be seen as a year of major Community advance with substan-tial successes on a number of

major fronts.

After less than a year of discussion they had seen the European monetary system establish itself gradually and unspectacularly. They needed to do more to strengthen and support EMS. but

gradually and unspectacularly. They needed to do more to strengthen and support EMS, but its creation was an important landmark in their development.

Looking ahead, they faced no less than the breaking up of the established economic and social order on which post-war Europe was built. The warning bells had been sounding for a decade: bit hy bit they had seen the collapse of that long period of monetary stability founded on the Bretton Woods agreements.

Energy price increases might not have been the only cause of their present misfortunes, but they had been the main catalyst. Industrial society had been built on the

had been the main catalyst, indus-rial society had been built on the consumption of fossil fuels. If they did not change their ways while there was still time society risked dislocation and crentual collapse. Most of the economic indicators were bad. The growth of the Euro-

external trade was likely to more than double as a result of oil price increases. The signs of irreversible change were now visible in the accelerating decline of some of their older industries.

In the short-term, energy conser-tation must be the cornerstone of their policy since it formed the quickest way of contributing to a restoration of the balance between

restoration of the balauce between supply and demand. Some progress had already been made, but the potential for further savings was immense.

With the wider use of energy saving equipment and in design, energy saving by 1990 could be equivalent to 100 million tennes in excess of forecasts.

They needed to reserve the downward trend in the consumption and production of coal where investment was now needed for new production capacity, for the construction of coal power stations, and projects for coal liquefaction and gasfication.

Secondly, the delays in the de-

Secondly, the delays in the de-velopment of nuclear energy In different parts of the EEC must be made up quickly. Thirdly, more time and attention should be devoted to the development of alternative energy sources. Lastly, greater efforts should be put into research and development pro-

These problems would require time, money and determination and the Commission was considering some form of energy tax or lery consistent with their interna-tional obligations. The effect of any community initiative would be ail the greater if it were undermajor industrial partners.

The ultimate test of success or failure in the next decade would be

the attitude they adopted to the challenge of the new electronic technologies. The first effects could be seen in job losses in traditional industries. In printing and publishing where composition direct from the key board had cut out traditional skills, they were witnessing the prospect of a fall in cstablished employment which could amount to 70 per cent

These dramatic effects tended to hid the gains which came from the demand for the new products avail-able and because of the more efficlent use of resources leading to lower costs.

They needed to exploit these new developments, but combin their social effects and provide more information. more information.

There was a need to improve the organization of transport within the REC both on its own merits and to serve Community as well as national needs. Few areas were of more importance to the cohesion of the EEC and the economies of its members.

Western economies and societies were routed in the twin concepts.

were rooted in the twin concept of competition and cooperation. It was on the basis of realistic but humane policies within the EEC that their competitive position could be safeguarded and on the attitudes they adopted towards international cooperation that the essential interests of the western world could be advanced. The way in which the summit countries were working increasingly together was one of the more encouraging developments of their time. The recovery of their economies could not be dissociated from the minated and reinforced an esson-nal interdependence in the modern New attitudes must be adopted to employment. People must be informed about the changes which mureness about the changes which were occurring to prevent defen-sive and restrictive attitudes to changes. Policies must encourage greater mobility and willingness to change jobs. The average period of unemploy-

The average period of unemployment must be reduced to the minimum with more concentration of training and retraining.

The Commission had proposed the maintenance of a relatively high level of public spending to sustain growth. Next they would come forward with proposals about how to cope with the social effects of the telematic revolution. They would try to extend Community action to help in reorganization of industrial sectors in particular difindustrial sectors in particular difficulty such as shipbuilding, steel and textiles. They were also look-ing again at policies for young people and women.

The Community framework within which national economies bad the major role with Com-munity funds having a significant function, was greatly strengthened by the introduction of EMS. Not only had the system survived, it was working well involving only two small adjustments to Central rates and providing a valuable rates and providing a valuable degree of monetary stability in Europe at a difficult time of international turbulance.

I regret (he said) the continued absence of the United Kingdom from full participation in the system. I hope the experience we have gained in the EMS will encourage the ninth member state to come in and make its contribution to the good health and fortune of the

rystem. Without sterling the system is frankly incomplete.

I would like to see a steady extension of the work of EMS, for example, through closer coordination within it and elaboration of common policies with regard to A vital element in their bunget-ary proposals must be considered on their merits and in the light of mounting agricultural surpluses recent years.
Fundamental changes could not

system. Without sterling the six

be achieved overlight. If their proposals were adopted this would mark a significant step to are stabilizing expenditure and putting their agricultural policy into a bet-ter relationship with their other Community policies.

After the events in Afghanisten, world tension was closer to danger point than at any time over the past two decades. They could past two decades. They could achieve nothing unless they acted in the spirit of solidarity which depended on respect for the rule of law, not only in their society, but in the world as a whole.

The Community institutions were their foundation. They departed from them at their peril as there could be no bargaining with the law.

If they flouted their own rules they could hardly expect to comments. they could hardly expect to command authority or influence anywhere else.

No consideration of temporary

advantage or national self-interest (he said) can transend our com-mon interest in an orderly world The court interprets the law on the basis of the treatise of which is the Commission is the guardian. There is no duty to which he Commission attaches more importance. It is the rock on which the Community stands.

Demands for stronger action to deal with surpluses

The EEC Commission was proposing strong, but fair action in its proposals for agricultural prices for the 1980-81 marketing year. Mr Pinn Gundelach, Vice-President of the Commission with responsibilities for agriculture and fisheries. Said in a statement. It now looked to the Engagement Parking part to 1246. to the European Parliament to take up its responsibilities.

Mr Gundelach said that the Com-mission was committed to a policy for more than a year; therefore this price package could not be considered in isolation. It was one develop in recent years.
Their overall strategy was that dgh priority must be given to

bring balance into agricultural markets. Where production of products completely outran the mar-ket outlets, market forces must be allowed to act. This meant the producers must carry the cost of increased production. income disparities should be dealt with by concentrat-ing available resources on poorer ing available resources on poorer farms and less developed regions. Through a combined action of structural policy and moderate price increases, they should try to meet the requirements of the Treaty concerning farmers' incomes.

Budget uncertainties existed and extended beyond 1980. There was no presence of increasing the Com-

no prospect of increasing the Com-munity's own budget resources in the near future. Therefore the danger was that the Community would run out of money within the next year.

In market despite a strong export
These constraints, together with drive. Sugar had been limited

the need to fight inflation overall. pointed to the continuation of a rigorous price policy in agriculthe milk sector which greedly swallowed 43 per cent of all agricultural spending and which demanded more each year. A serious development was that real agricultural real agricultural incomes had alipped back in the last 12 months as cost increases accelerated.

mortgage our overall agricultural capacity especially in a situation of world tensions and a decrease in the economic activity of the Com-munity and elsewhere. This year would be even more difficult for agriculture and the whole of the EEC as well. They must remember that the CAP was

one of the few developed common policies they had. It must deal not only with market and income problems, but was currently overloaded hy regional, development and social problems too. As other policies were not being developed s ficiently, their flanks were open. The Commission had found a fair balance between conflicting needs by their proposal to increase prices by around 3 per cent to 3.5 per cent for the majority of products where there was some justifiable margin of manoeouvre. They fiable margin of manocouvre. They had limited the increase to 1.5 per cent for products where there was clearly no margin for manocurre.

Mitk. butter and skimmed milk powder had been limited because each year they had 15 million tones of milk for which there was

more than domestic demand. Beef had been limited because of 330,000 tonnes in intervention stores and because they were making another proposal which would be more effective in raising specialist beef producers' revenues.

The proposed price increases were well below inflation rates anywhere in the EEC so the effect on consumers would be neglible— an increase of little more than 0.1 per cent on household expenditure in a full year.

After trying a variety of medi-cines on the milk problem which was a real illness, they must face up to the need for surgery. They proposed a supplementary co-responsibility levy. Producers would remain entirely free to make their own decisions, but those who increased their production would pay the cost of its disposal. The Community budget would be insulated against any future expenditure increases due to production increases. No matter how production rose, there should he no need for supplementary

The extra expenditure resulting from these price proposals was only 202m EUAs. Herr teldor Fruh (Germany, EPP), for the Agriculture Committee, said inflation continued to rise, yet farmers were being called upon to foot the bill for rocketing prices and costs. They could not afford to disappoint European farmers who

a budget straightjacket, especially when the EEC could soon be enlarged to 12. Mrs Barbara Castle (Greater Man-chester North, SOC) Leader of the United Kingdom Labour delega-tion, said while welcoming the Commissioner's desire to cut the cost of the CAP, it was abourd to propose any increases in the prices of products which were in surplus production, notably skimmed milk.

surplus production, skimmed milk. To propose increases for production which the market did not want and then try to recoup some of the cost by putting a levy on producers meant that prices to the consumer went up anyway. In Britain, they would pay \$150m more as a result of these proposals. It would be better to freeze the

prices of products in surplus production and then help the in-comes of small farmers who needed assistance in other more direct ways, Mr John Marshall (London, North,

Mr John Marshau (London, North, ED) said while many would like to-congratulate Mr Gundelach upon his diagnosis, they felt the medi-cine he was proposing was in-Many of us (he said) regard the CAP as a terminal cancer which is threatening the lifeblood of this Community. Stronger action should be taken to deal with the problem of surpluses

The policy of selling subsidized butter to Russia was anotherna. Why should Community consumers have to pay 8Cp a pound for butter when Russian consumers were

gerting a subsidity from the EEC of 50p a pound?

M Pierre Pranchere (France Comm) said many farms in the EEC were going to be wound-up in his year as a result of the proposals. Dairy farmers were being sals. Dairy farmers were being populated. MCAS brought about serious distortions of competition and Community preference. Mr Neil Bianey (Ireland, TCDG) said this proposed super-levy would merely secure the interest lucraive operations in agriculture like large factory type, well-devi-loped producers—to the deniment and wiping out of small farmers. M Georges Sutra de Germa (France, Soc) said they should not be talking about a sugar surplus when more than one million tonnes was imported. MCAs were a way for the poor people to pay the rich; they subsidized strong currencies and should be put to an and

end. Mr Gundalach, in reply acknow-ledged that it might seem a some-what peculiar road to increase with what peculiar road to increase with one hand and take away with another, but this was the only way some progress could be made in regard to the dismandement of MCAs which were a serious obstacle to the free development of agriculture in the EEC One day the EEC should be prepared to deal with special problems in special parts of the Community. At the moment whenever such attempts were made, there were screams about discrimination. If they were to bring about a greater degree of coherence they must be willing to take special selective action.

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Conversions are an old favourite

Conversion of old farm buildings to residential use has been so popular an exercise in the past couple of decades or so that it is sometimes a surprise to come across such conversions made in very much earlier periods.

A really good setting and an interesting building of whatever kind, it seems, has always caught the eye of the imaginative home seeker. An example is provided by Dunsfold Ryse, in High Street Green, a hamler near Chiddingfold, in Surrey, near the Sussex border.

The house started probably as a sixteenth-century tithe barn, recorded on early a house something over 100 at either end to form a threesided courtyard, with the the design of Hampstead central part of the barn Garden Suburb.

accommodation playroom, four bedroom and bathroom suites, two other bedrooms and a fifth bathroom. Gardens and grounds run to just over 7! acres, with an old coach house now giving garaging and store rooms. Offers of about £200,000 are being asked through Messenger Warninglid, near Hayards May Baverstock, of Godalming.

A barn dating from the early eighteenth century is also the basis of a property called Wyldes, in North End,

1855. Conversion was begun rooms. Outside is a cottage inviting offers in the region maps, and was converted into about 1860 and was com- with four rooms and its own of £350,000.

pleted in about 1919 by Sir years ago. The main work Raymond Unwin, the archi-was the construction of wings tect and town planner who was mainly responsible for

forming a fine reception hall, with a staircase and gallery, which is now one of the features of the house.

Garden Sabata S.

There are two reception rooms on the ground floor, and a large reception room or studio nearly 35ft long on Apart from this hall, the or studio nearly 35ft long on accommodation includes the first floor, together with three other reception rooms, four further bedrooms. The four further bedrooms. The property is held on a lease with about 140 years remaining and offers are being invited in the region of £210,000. The agents are Knight Frank and Rutley.

Extensive accommodation Warninglid, near Haywards Heath, Sussex. It was built in 1926 of brick and stone with partly rendered walls long, with a self-contained and leaded light windows two-bedroomed flat above it. under a Horsham slab roof.

The main accommodation dressing rooms. In addition, The buildings were part of there is a guest or staff wing a working farm until about with a further three bed-



Colwood Court, Warninglid, Sussex, for sale at a price around £350,000.

kitchen. A further building has a games room 37ft 6ins two-bedroomed flat above it. Gardens and grounds extend to just over 17 acres

Hampstead Heath, London, includes three reception and include a small rooms, a study, breakfast woodland and 10 acres of paddocks. The agents are the room five bedrooms and two Horsham office of John D. Wood, jointly with Gascoigne-Pees, of London, who are

Quite a bit smaller is garden room and five bed-Cookley Swyncombe, near Henley-on- about three acres, including Thames, Oxfordshire. The a paddock Offers of about building is Victorian, con-structed of brick with a slate through Savills, of Banbury. roof, with an extension to one An unusual property is side clad in cedar shingles. It The Moat, at Great Chart, has fine views and is com- near Ashford, Kent, which, as

Farmhouse, at rooms. The land extends to

pletely surrounded by a the name implies, is sur-private agricultural estate. rounded by a moat. Basically, Recently modernized and the house is an old detached improved, the house has farmhouse dating from the three reception rooms, a fifteenth century

rooms, four main bedrooms and two good attic rooms, and shows a number of early features such as exposed beams and inglenooks. Notably, too, it has about 7½ acres of land and outbuildings which include an old Kent barn. Ashendeans, of Ashford, are the agents, and the price is in the region of

Equally typical of its area : Clippenham Cottage, at Cowbeach, near Hailsham, Sussex. This was originally a small Sussex cottage dating probably from the eighteenth century and enlarged about 1973 in matching materials. It is a brick-built house under a tiled roof, and has attrac-tive windows with shutters. There are a drawing room and dining room divided by a stone central fireplace with a canopy over it, and two bedroom and bathroom suites. A large landing might be used as a third bedroom.

The garden runs to about three-quarters of an acre, with a stream in it, and there is also a paddock of some 22 acres. Offers in the region of £75,000 are being asked

It has three reception through Braxtons, of Tunbridge Wells.

Again in keeping with its location is Merion Cottage, at West Amesbury, about eight miles from Salisbury, Wiltshire. One of a pair, the house is built of local stone. The two reception rooms are unusually large for this

type of dwelling and there is a combined kitchen and breakfast room together with a good-sized separate utility room. Upstairs there are three bedrooms, again rather larger than average. The price is £49.500 through Pearsons, of Salisbury.

A property with a good river frontage is King's Staunch, near Mildenhail, Suffolk, built us a small cot-tage in 1842 and now. extended and modernized. It has two reception rooms and three bedrooms. One of the best features of the property is that the two-thirds of an acre of garden have a fronrage of over 100ft to the River Lark, which provides facilities for fishing and boating. Offers over £45,000 are being asked through Jackson-Stops and Staff, of Newmarket. Gerald Ely



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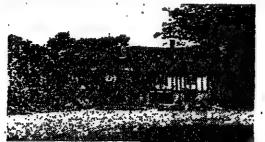
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Southampton could enter talks about new ground this month

could be nearer to acquiring a new ground—as part of the city council's plans for the largest post-war city centre development in Europe. The surprise signing of Kevin Keegan has brought the matter right back into focus, and Council leader, Norman Best, has said the council will go on striv-ing to find a solution to the

"The club has done as much as it can to improve safety and comfort, but the present 24,000 capacity at the ground is ludicrously low for a club in its positional in the control of the co trously low for a cum in its posi-tion and is not financially viable for the expenses it incurs," Mr Eest said. He said the signing of Keegan, the European Footballer of the Year, was a further step towards putting the club on the map and enhancing the name of the city.

map and enhancing the name of the city.

Mr Best, a keen Saints supporter, said that after a developer had been chosen for the £100m project the next move would be discussions with the club. He hoped the council and club could meet before the end of the month.

Mr Best said that if it was not viable for the club to move to a new ground then immediate steps would have to be taken concerning redevelopment of the Dell. "We'll have to examine the effects this will have on nearby residents", he said. "I wouldn't rule out a referendum, but we'll await the outcome of

discussions with the club before deciding on our next step."

Lawrie McMenemy, the club's manager, said of the £420,000 transfer: "We've achieved somemanager, said of the £4.0,000 transfer: "We've achieved something which the city never thought possible. We have the team, now let us have a better ground." Southampton was still buzzing vesterday over the news that Keegan was to join the club in July. Even the players admitted they were completely in the dark about the scoop. They talked of little else at the Dell, where they went through a light training period before going to play in a testimonial match at Bournemouth. Keegan's move was one of football's best kept secrets. Not even Mike Channon, a close friend, or David Watson, who played with Keegan for England last Wednesday, knew anything about it.

David Peach, the club captain, summed up the feeling of the players. He said: "It's fantastic. Unbetievable that he should come here. It has come at just the right moment. We are doing well and if we can qualify for Europe before lie gets here, next season

right moment. We are doing well and if we can qualify for Europe before he gets here, next season should be really something." He added: !' With the squad developing as it is now, we will be able to compete with the big boys."

Chelsea's disappointment at losing the services of Keegan may well be overshadowed by a blow to their most vulnerable area—their pocket. The cith, struggling under the liability of paying for their new East stand, but

waited to come to Chejsea. I met him two or three times and I must say I was given the impression by Keegad that he was coming to us if he came to England."

"Having, said that, people change their minds, Of course we are very disappointed but good luck to him and to Southampton."

Jean Keegan said yesterday that her husband's impending home-coming to England was: "just like a dream." In a radio interview she said: "Kevin phoned me with the news in Germany at about 2.30 am and I was still half asleep. So to me it was just like a dream, I was really engled."

Asked if she had had any infuence on her husband's decision and whether she might have been unhappy at the idea of moving to Italy Mrs Keegan said: "The decision was entirely Kev's. He knows that wherever he wants to go I'll go. He knew that coming back to England would make me very happy so whether that was in his mind I don't know."

unable to fill it regularly, may have lost thousands of pounds worth of sponsorship with no Keegan in their ranks. Brian Mears, the Chelsea char-man, said: "We had connacted one or two large manufacturers about sponsoring us and one conabout sponsoring us and one com-pany was very interested—I was

pany was very interested—I was still waiting for their reply."

Mr Mears was bemused at Keegan's apparent change of heart: "He stated himself on radio and in the press that he wanted to come to Chelsea. I met him two or three times and I must him two or three times and I must him two or three times and I must

Down to earth: Barnsley players and their manager Allan Clarke (second from right) go

Barnsley get object lesson in output

banned for one game,

Barnsley Football Club took a lesson from Yorkshire miners yesterday when the team spent the morning underground at Woolley Colliery. Their manager, Allan Clarke, was hoping the visit would points to the 20 he accumulated arguing with the referee during a learning of the property of the first time this season. But match suspension after adding 10 fourth yellow warning card for points to the 20 he accumulated arguing with the referee during a learning of the property of the increase the team's goal output. It was arranged after Barnsley, near the bottom of the third diviwere beaten 7-0 by Read-

The players joined the morning shift on the Fenton seam, 450 yards underground, and when they energed there were jokes about their being "dirty players".

Mr Clarke said: "Soccer players don't know how lucky they are. They have a job they enjoy and set well paid for doing it. I brought the team here to show them how many of our supporters earn their money. After all, these are the lads who pay our wages."

Mariner appeals: Paul Mariner, of lpswich Town, who has scored seven goals in his last seven matches, appears before an FA disciplinary commission in London The players joined the morning

Today's fixtures FOURTH DIVISION: Lincoln City v
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champiousnip match between Sy Hamburg and Breitner's club, Bayern Munich, the midfield player claimed due process of law was not observed as no appeal was allowed against the suspension. allowed against the suspension.

Breimer, at odds with the West
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for years, called upon the DFB's
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equal justice for all, no decision
is beyond appeal before all legal
channels have been exhausted".

Contract for Kendafi: The Tennis

Kriek puts **Tanner** out in first round

Paim Springs, Feb 11.—Roscoe Tauner, of the United States, the No 2 seed, and the winner here for the previous two years, lost his first-round match to the 21-year-old South African, Johan Kriek, 6—1, 6—7, 6—0, in a \$250,000 (about £110,000) rournament here. The top-seed, Jimmy Counous, needed only 40 minutes to dispatch. a fellow American, Dennis Raiston, 6—0, 6—1, in the opening day of competition at the Mission Hills Country Club.

Tanner's hard service, clocked at over 150 miles per hour, was the offly portion of his game in top form as he laboured against the stocky, agile Kriek, a professional tour player for a year and a half and ranked thirty-fifth in the world.

The big American, ranked fifth in the world by the Association of Tennis Professionals computer, served five aces through the second set, winning the He-break by rebounding from 2—5 after losing a dispute over a line call. However, he managed to get in only three first services in the closing set and won only five points in the six games.

The smaller Kriek said that he had abandoned his customary serve-and-voiley strategy in facing the hard-serving Tanner on an unfamiliar cement court. "I played very good from the baseline", Kriek said,

Tanner said that he did not find his defeat particularly discouraging. "This is my second tournament of the year", he said, "and I'm not going to quit because I lost the match. We win and lose too many matches to let one worry me."

PALM SPRINGS: First round: J. Connors beat D. Rahtma 6—0. 6—1: 8—1: 6—3. "—6: V. Van Patten beef 5.

Britain make fine start in **BP** competition

BP competition

From a Special Correspondent
Hamburg, Feb 12
The British men's and women's teams both won their opening round-robin ties when the eighth BP Cup (under-21 competition) began today in Hamburg's magnificent triple court Alsterdorf Sporthalle. The men, revelling in the fast bounce of the Boiltex carpet, achieved a rapid victory over Spain. Kevin Harris beat Rafael Mensus, 6—2, 3—5, 6—2 and then the British No 1 Jeremy Dier, accelerated to a 6—4, 6—0 success against Alberto Tous.
The girls, both with Waghman Cup experience, made their greater knowledge tell against younger Czechostovsk opponents. The No 2, 19-year-old Debtile Jevans, easily beat 16-year-old Yvona Bendova, 6—1, 6—2 and Jonna Durie (19) of Goucester steaded herself after an uncertain start to best Marcala Skuherska, 3—6, 6—2, 6—3. steaded herself after an uncertain start to best Marcela Skutserska, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3.

The surprise of the day was the 2-0 defeat of the day was the 2-0 defeat of the American men, helders of this under-21 world indoor team title, by the quasifying nation Austria. Both matches were close and both produced some rousing railies. The United States No 2, Devid Dowlen, bravely saved eight match point before going down, 6-7, 6-3, 7-5 to a promising 17-year-old, lago Wimmer. This was international youth tennis at in best.

The Austrian leader, Helmar Stiegler, labuself a Davis Crip player completed the job by winning 11 of the last 12 points to beat Dalias born jeff Turpin, 4-6, 6-4, 7-5 after a high-class encounter.

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Olympic Games

Top Russians may have broken rules

From John Hennessy
Lake Placid, Feb 12
John Nicks, the English trainer of the world pairs figure skating champions, Tai Babdomia and Randy Gardner (United States), tossed a fair-size cat among the Olympic pigeons here last night. He revealed the contents of a letter charging the renowned Russian pair, Irina Rodnina and Alexander Zaitsey, with transgressions of the rules of the sport. One way and another it seems One way and another it seems impossible to prevent the Americans and the Russians from strikcans and the Russians from stricting sparks off one another.

Nicks says that he has studied film of the Russians' programmes, both the short and the long, during

the recent European championships and noted a mamber of fliegalities, notably lifts with the hand on Miss Rodnina's thigh rather than on the body, "below the pantie line". body, "below the pantie line", as someone remarked.

Few who were in Göteborg for the Enropean championships will have failed to notice that Zaitsev did indeed, more than once, secure leverage for some lifts from his wire's thigh. The question now is whether or not this is technically illegal. The matter resus with the United States Figure Stating Association, who are unlikely, particularly in the present hostile atmosphere, to fall to bring the matter to the notice of officials of the governing body, the international Skating Union.

There is nothing particularly

of officials of the governing body, the International Skating Union.

There is nothing particularly sinister in what the Russian pair have done, assuming Nicks is right, as Nicks himself, a former world champion for Britain along with his sister, Jennifer, virtually admits in his letter. He recalls that a lift included in the American pair's repertoire a few years back had been held to be illegal and had had to be removed from their programme.



Nicks went to great lengths to point out, not all that convincingly, that this was not a legal quibble, designed to throw the Russian pair off balance, liberally as well as figuratively. With a contaction or two of his own, he showed how much easier it was to lift another person with purchase from the thigh rather than the hip.

hip.
This controversy could hardly have developed in a more sensitive area. It may be recalled that the area. It may be recalled that the American pair became champions in Vienna last year in the absence of the Russiaus, then nursing a two week old baby. Until then Miss Rodmina had won 10 successive world titles (to say nothing of two Olympics) with two different partners and was expected to acquire an eleventh. There were many in Vienna, however, who were so captivated by the much younger Americans, then aged 18 (Miss Babiloula) and 21, and convinced that they had reached such a brilliant peak that they could well have won any Given the present political atmosphere nothing would please the Americans here more than for Miss Babilonia's relatively poor performance in the United States

answering questions about his and Miss Bablionia's relatively poor performance in the United States championships, explained that "this year we're trying to peak for these Olympics." He thought that they would be helped by the emotional support of thousands of their: compatriots in the arena "giving us quite a boost".

Asked about his opponents—the competition has developed virtually into a match between these two couples—Gardner saw their principal virtues as strength, speed, power and maturity. Miss Bablionia, having seen them on television from Göteborg, thought the same as in 1978, but they still looked strong". Miss Rodmina is 30, her husband 27.

An American tried to draw Gardner and some of his team colleagues into a criticism of judging, citing the suspension of, you'll never guess, Russian judges a year or two ago. He seemed to overlook the fact that Linda Fratianne, another American string nearby, had been adjudged world champion a year ago by the very judges he sought to impugo. Gardner refused to take the bait. "If the judges didn't do their best to be fair", he said, "we wouldn't be here".

There was a word of encouragement for Britain in what was essentially an American occasion. David Santee, one of Robin Cousin's less formidable challengers, stated, as though it were a known fact, not once but twice, that the British champion was the best free skater in the world today, though "a bit slow at Göteborg". If he maintained the same courol of the complsory figures as be had done at Göteborg, only a mis-

their pair; personable people both, take in the shirt programme to stand their ground against the could deprive had of the gold returning Russians. Gardner, answering questions about his and made aware of just such a mistake made aware of just such a mistake at Göteborg that had produced a flood of puns on the word "chicken" at home after Cousins's coach, Carlo Fassi, had

Sautee mushelied Cousins's three main chellengers as: Charles Tickner (United States), athletic and dynamic, good in all three phases, a real competitor (Tickner, world champion in 1978, was fourth last year), Vladimir Kovalyby (Soviet Union), good in figures and reincrities " seein figures and, pejoratively, "well just Kovalyov" (Kovalyov, world champion last year, was third at Göteborg); Jan Hoffmann (East Germany), good at figures, consistent in short and long sound technically with many triple jumps (Hoffmann was third in the world last year, second in Europe this). At about this time a dark rumour spread among the British that Cousins had injured a knee

rumour spread among the British that Cousins had injured a knee in training at Denver in the past few days. Happily it proved to have no substance and I have never seen him looking more screne and relaxed before an important compedition as he did on the ice today.

As training for the men's down-hill proceeds at Whiteface Mountain the spirits of Komad Bartelski, the British champion begin to rise. He finished twelfth and thirteenth respectively in vesterday's ruts. On the second occasion he was only a second and a half behind the leader, Valeni Tsyganov, of the Soviet Union, who (will the frustrations never end) was seven hundredths of a second in front of Peter Patterson, of United States. But these are still early days and we may expect some changes as more and more stops are pulled out.

Gashed nose and broken foot fail to stop Miss Walker risking life and limb on the luge track

A nice girl blazing an icy trail for Britain

Find anyone suggested to Avril

Walker three years ago that she
would be competing for Britain in
the Olympic Games this year she
would have told him in wellmodulated tones to pull the other
one. At that point she had "done
some tannis and squash and ridden
a bit" but nowhere was there a
hint of Olympic talent. Yet she
blazes a trail at Lake Placid by
becoming a member of the British
luge (or toboggan) team. We have
never entered a woman before:
this time there are two, Miss
Walker and Joanna Weaver.

Miss Walker, aged 25, first lay

the first week at Igls she gashed
her nova badly and still carries
the was with the British team
crazy to try again," she recalls,
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competed in both the European championship, finishing eleventh on both
occasions, On the third day of
her second season, again at Igls,
she proke a bone in a foot and
was "plastered up and shipped
home". But by now she was
thoroughly hooked.

I searched in vain in her Eamp-

Walker and Joams Weaver.

Miss Walker, aged 25, first lay on a inge in December 1977. She had been anticed into a class for beginners at Igls, Austria, by Derek Prentice, a member of the men's team, through a common acquaintance. In this, her third season, she has finished second in the North American championship and was hoping to finish among the top 15 at Lake Placid before some disappointing practice times. Miss Weaver, aged 22 and in her second season, was sixth in the North American event.

Luging is not for the faint-

Luging is not for the faint-hearted. When it was introduced into the Olympics in 1964 a member of the British team was killed during a practice run. Women staiks average speeds of 50 mph over a course 900 to 1,000 metres iong, with a top speed of 70 mph. It is not surprising therefore that Miss Walker had a barsh

I searched in vain in her Hamp-shire pedigree for other examples of derring-do, but (and it seemed a matter requiring half an apology) her parents, two brothers a matter requiring man an apology) her parents, two brothers and sister are conventional, some would say sane, types.

There is nothing of the extrovert daredevil about her. You could well imagine her beavering quietly away on Heinemann Educational Books (where she works), "nuclear physics for beginners". She is quiet and gentle and nice, and uttacly unlike the sort of person who would think about risking life and limb on a serpentine wall of ics, let alone actually doing it.

The luge differs from the Cresta toboggan because one rides it on one's back feet first, with the bead tilted alightly forward looking along the line of the body in order to see the run. Steering is achieved by pressure of the two

Avril

initiation. feet on the two runners at the front. Avril wasrs bands on her fingers carrying running spikes to help with impulsion after the initial pull-off at the start. The problem for the good luger, as for the golfer, is to learn to

Walker: hursh

apparently the critical point. "Irs about 10ft high and about 30 yards long", she said. "You can easily loop (wander up and down) there, so timewise it's critical. It requires so timewise it's critical. It requires vary controlled steering."

In a different way, I learn, curve 10 is important, because if you get it right it sets you up for 11 and 12. The trick with 12 is to get the exit right, because "otherwise you can easily flip (turnover). There's a feeling of relief after 13 because you feel home said dry." The two remaining curves are child's play, that is if you can find a child who takes its pleasures at 60 mph.

The British team have a Russian coach, "Yuri something or other, I can never remember," shared with the Canedians. He is a former member of the Russian team, who defected to New York two years ago. He has been a "tremendous help".

Avril Walter expects to carry on the 1884 Olympics. Sup-

Avril Walter expects to carry on to the 1984 Olympics, supposing they survive till then.

But aren't you giving up some of your social life? I saked.

"Luging is a social life in itself," she replied, "and it gets me out of London during the wirter. Really I'm two different pocale." I asked what the Olympic Games meant to her. "I'm very excited," she replied, "and very proud to be representing Empand — I mean Briggin." A verbal loop, I suppose.

Italy lead the challengers

stranglehold on the men's Olympic pion, Psoi Hildgarmer, and the newly-crowned European cham-pion, Karl Brumer, lead the Italian besault, but the East Germans will be hard to dis-lodge in an event they have won three times in four Olympics, taking nine of the twelve medals

The women's single luge also begins under the floodlights tomorrow evening after the opening ceremony. It is likely to fail to the East Germans, who have been toppled only once—by disqualification because of heated miners in 1968. The luge track claimed his first serious Olympic casualty yesterday when Reto Filli, of Switzerland, broke his left leg in a crash on a hairpin bend during the after-noon session.—Reuter.

string four good runs together.

Miss Walker likes the Lake
Placid track, now that some of
the mora dangerous curves have Court rules against Taiwan

Supreme Court, last Thursday in favour of Liang. A lawyer for Liang would appeal immediately to the Court of Appeals, the state's highest court.

The International Clympic Committee (IOC) last year admitted the People's Republic of China into the Clympic movement and informed Taiwar it would have to adopt a new flag and authem. Under the IOC directive, the Taiwan athletes would have to march without a flag at the winter Games starting on Wednesday. Liang filed his suit to prevent this from happening.—Reuter. New York State court today upheld the rights of Olympics' officials to bar Taiwan from compering in the winter Games if they peting in the winter Games if they used their traditional flah and anthem.

The appellate division of the state Supreme Court ruled that Liang Ren-Guey, a cross-country slicer from Taiwan, cannot compete at the Lake Placid games under those symbols and the name Republic of China. It thus reversed a ruling by Justice Norman Harvey, of the state

Hockey Sutherland's clerks baffle Navy defence

By Sydney Friskin Royal Navy 0 Civil Service 2 Chris Sutherland travelled all the way from Edinburgh to Portsmouth yesterday to play for the Civil Service in their annual hockey match against the Royal Navy and was rewarded with three Apart from his markmanship Apart from his markmanship Sutherland's skiil and inventiveness encouraged others to score. His subtlety in stopping the ball, pulling it away and passing it acontrolled pace bemused the Navy defenders, who up to half-time had done well to restrict the opposition to a one-nil lead.

The match was reminiscent of the secretary and the secretary are

the same game two seasons ago when, after a one-nil half-time lead, Civil Service won six-ni, Sutherland having scored five goats. Last year's match was cancelled because of bad weather. cancelled because of bad weather.

The Navy's alertness, their confidence ar stopping and picking up made life a little difficult for Civil Service in the first 20 minutes. Martin with his strong clearances and fast running set up a few chances for the Navy, And it was a short corner, the result of Mayo's stick having been held down, that led to the first goal in the 23rd minute. Suherland's hit from the top of the circle was saved by the goalkeeper whose mability to clear enabled Sutherland to regain courtol. He passed cheverly to Talati, who pushed the ball over the line.

Once Sutherland began to assert Once Sutherland began to assert its authority in the second balf he Navy went to pieces and conceded several short corners. A free hit from the right by Sibia in the the second goal, which was fol-lowed by two from Sutherland, the first off a penalty stroke. Vickery first off a penalty stroke. Vickery scored the fifth, Sutherland the sixth again from a penalty stroke, and Talati the seventh. The Navy should have had a goal from a combined assault in the 23rd minute, Drury's shot just going wide.

ROYAL NAVY: LE B. Lucton: PO R.

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GIVIL SERVICE: M. Wilson: J. C. rowne, P. Cilos, R. Sible, D. Dixon, King, P. Ellis, S. Talatt, E. Vickery, Mayo. ns: D. Pringle (Combined Ser-R. Andreson (Southern

Rugby Union

After parts one and two comes graduation match

Rugby Correspondent

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It is remarkable how two rousing wins can raise morale and silence, at least for a while, that old nagging question: what is wrong with English rugby? At Twickenham on Saturday comes the graduation test, against a Welsh side which by common consent is a better balanced combination and one, moreover, with a set of forwards to whom, on any realistic assessment, even England's doughty pack will not be able to give the heave-ho with which they clobbered Ireland and France.

That may leave a lot depending clobbered relain and France.

That may leave a lot depending on the performance of the England backs, and Mike Davis, the national coach, is not at all despondent. "I believe", he says, "that man for man we're probably better up front, and equally I believe that, man for man, we've gree constitute different to offer I believe that, man for man, we've got something different to offer ourside. What's more, England's long-suffering forwards now have confidence in them." Much of this, of course, springs from the play of the halfbacks, Steve Smith and John Horton, and it has been notable particularly just how the stand off's game and confidence have improved behind two heavensent platforms built by his pack.

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Davis believes that some of the virtues of the English back play in Paris, apparent in the first half, were overshadowed by the domination of the forwards and a final 10 minutes in which the side was committed to a rather desperate defence. "Every time we've come together we've polished things a bit more, done a bit more, and patiently expanded our game to the extent that we now feel we have more options. Of course I agree with Rill Beaumont that with every game we play we've got to raise our game that much more, but the fact is that Welsh teams don't enjoy playing at Twickenham too much and at least this one will be facing a side they respect."

England's coach found the polishing process somewhat dispensed England's coach found the polishing process somewhat distributed at Stourbridge on Monday evening by the late arrival of Roger Utiley and Nick Preston (due to traffic problems) and the limited role played by Smith, who hopes that his calf injury will have cleared up by tomourow.

John Pullin's record of 42 caps for England, which will be

equalled on Saturday by Tony Neary, is not the only one under threat. Fran Cotton making his 29th appearance, will draw level with Ron Jacobs, previously the most capped of England props, and Beaumont will equal the record of John Curtle, with 25 caps previously the most capped of England locks.

Cotton, now 32, won his first cap at Twickenham in 1971 when Scotland achieved their only postwar victory on the ground. But

Scotland achieved their only post-war victory on the ground. But for injuries, he would long since have surpassed Jacobs's record. Those with long memories may query whether Ronald Cove-Smith, a member of famous England packs in the early twenties, did not—with 29 caps—hold the record at lock. Seven of them were obtained when he played in the middle of the back row.

middle of the back row.

Beaumont has another milestone within his sights. He is now to lead England for the twelfth time. The record (13) is held jointly by Lord Wakefield of Kendal, N. M. Nim." Hall, Eric Evans, Dick Jeeps and Pullin.

The Welsh wing three-quarter, has had his application to tour South Africa with the Lions (if selected) approved by the West Glamorgan education committee, but only by a vote of 18 to 17. This in spite of advice from the county clerk that it was part of teachers' conditions of service that they conditions of service that they could go on national and international sporting tours. The deputy leader of the Labour-controlled council urged members to vote according to their consciences and to worry afterwards about the least consequences.

the legal consequences. Yves Duhart, the French lock who played against England at Parc des Princes and was then banned from his national team for one year because of alleged violence in that game, has found an ally in Robert Paparemborde. an ally in Robert Paparemborde. That stanuch French prop said on radio yesterday that Duhart was innocent of charges that he kicked and injured Uttley (who had six stitches inserted in his temple at half-time). Officials of Bagnères, the club for which Duhart plays, also have made vehement protests after watching slow-motion replays of the incident. One of them asserted that the foot which "accidentally kicked Uttley was not Duhart."

Eppleby dashes pleasant thoughts of King's

By Gordon Allan

St Bartholomew's 12

St Bartholomew's and King's
College must start all over again.
In their Hospitals Cup rugby
replay at Honor Oak yesterday
the scorc was the same as in the
first match. This time St
Bartholomew's scored a goal and
two penalty goals and King's three
penalty goals and a dropped goal.
The second replay will probably be
on Friday.

Ten minutes from the end King's
must have been thinking pleasant
thoughts about the semi-final
round next week, when either they
or St Bartholomew's are due to
play Westminster at Richmond on
Thursday. They led 12—6 and had
just survived six set strummages
and three tapped penalities inside
their own 22. Against the heavier
St Bartholomew's forwards, that
was something to boost their ego.
Them Millord, the Saracens strum
half, ran round the blind side of
a ruck, a gap appeared at last in
King's defence, and Harris scored
in a corner.

All depended on Eppleby. He
had already kicked two penalities
but missed three others, including
one from in front of the posts, as
that nobody was hanking on him
putting over a conversion from
the touchline to square the scores.
But put it over he did. Soon after.

wards he was presented with a

much easier penalty kick that
might have won the match. He
might have won the match. He
might have won the might have won thes might have won the sit he will in those first few minutes, his
kick being more difficult.
Once again St Bartholomews
relied on keeping the ball with
their forwards and King's on
trying to keep it away from them.
Once again St Bartholomews
won unlimited possession but, until
Harris's try, could do nothing
with it. By half time they were
6—9 down. Padwick lickled two
penalties for King's and Criffiths
and Criffiths, who propelled it low between the posts.
He did not hesitate. He had little
starty in the second half when he
kicked his third penalty, bending
the ball in from the touchline. It
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To same had the score 12—6

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The same had

Richmond choose Hughes

Steven Hughes, who played against the last two All Blacks sides to tour Britain, makes his first appearance for Richmond at number eight in their Saturday morning fixture against Bristol at the Athletic Ground. Hughes, a serving Royal Marines officer, was in the South and South West Counties team which played the New Zealanders at Exeter last November. He was in the Combined Services team which met the tourists at Aldershot the previous season. Formerly based at Devosport, where he played for Exeter, Hughes is now stationed at Deal.

Martin Cooper has recovered from influenza and returns to Moseley's side for Friday night's home manch with Abertillery. Cooper takes over at full back from Aleenhead and the flanker, Evans, given an immediate 30 days

Squash rackets

Barrington finds time is not on his side By Rex Bellamy

Squash Rackets Correspondent Squash Rackets Correspondent
Jonah Barrington seems to fancy
himself as the Ken Rosewall of
squash rackets. He is only two
months short of his thirty-ninth
birthday, but is still ranked ninth
in the world—and after spending
70 strennous minutes in the company of Mohibuliah Khan at
Southampton on Monday evening,
Barrington's chief regret seemed
to be that the match ended just
as he was striking form for the
second time. second time.

Mohibullah, third in the ranking,

Mohibuliah, third in the ranking, beat him 5-9, 9-1, 9-2, 9-7 at the Gaumont Theatre, in the quarter-final round of the International Squash Players' Association championship, sponsored by the Abbey Life Assurance Company. Barrington won the first game from 5-1 down, and in the fourth he came back from 2-6 to 7-all.

"In the second and third he the fourth se came back from 2—6 to 7—all.

"In the second and third he took the ball early and was very positive", Barrington said later.

"He broke it up and didn't let me settle to a rhythm. I was trying to stay with him because I thought time was on my side. In the fourth I was hitting to a good length, moving forward again, and gering some momentum. I wanted to some momentum. I wanted to keep playing, to get him into a fifth. It was not to be. A picked forehand drop took Mohibullah to match point, and Barrington then unluckily conceded a negotive room when he pleased

rington then unluckily conceded a penalty point, when he played a drop with Mohibullah tucked behind him.

Qamar Zaman, who is seeded to beat Mohibullah in the final, had a straightforward but delightfud 9—3, 9—5, 9—2 win over Ali Aziz. The Egyptian was always under pressure and sometimes looked bewildered, as he twisted this way and that in often vain attempts to understand what Zaman was doing.

Gogi Alauddin beat Hidayat Jahan, 5—9, 9—4, 9—7, 9—4. These two, both 29, have been close rivals since their childhood in Lahore and the contrast between Alauddin's subtle precision and Jahan's more forth-right methods is always interesting. Magsood is always interesting. Magsood Ahmed beat Bruce Brownlee, 9—4, 9—3, 9—1. So four Pakistanis emerged to contest the semi-final round: Zaman v Magsood and Akanddin v Mohibullah.

For the record Monday's results

Scottish Cup
Third round, second replay
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Winners away to Heart of Middothian.
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Tennis

OAKLAND (California): Women's countament: First round: L. W. King beat M. Jausovec, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4; M. Louie beat R. Fairbank (SA), 6-7; G. T. G.

ADELAIDE: SOOm: 1. J. Maine (Konya) one minute 45 seconds (squals Australian record). 3.000m steepiechase: 1. K. Rono (Kenya). 8-31.0 (Australian open record). 110m hurdles: 1. W. Greeces (CS) 4-0 seconds. 400m hurdles: 1. W. Greeces (CS). 110m; 3-7. Hoyte (CS). 1,95m. Womens' 400m: 1. Miss V. Elder (CB). CS.4.

Cycling

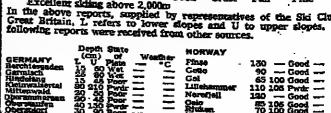
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Championashp: Third race: 1. J. and S.
Oelken (W. Germany) 2. D. Ullman
and T. Linskey (US): 3. S. Brockman and I. Friedlennier (Israel). 4. S.
Richer and P. Chaude (France): 5.
W. Hunger and N. Korte (W. Germany):
S. L. Smith and A. Berker (GB): Overall: 1. D. Ullman and T. Inskey.
S.7 pts: 2. L. Delage and H. Walling.
S.4: 5. S. Richer and P. Chaude, 40:
4. L. Smith and A. Berker, 44; 5.
cquai, J. and S. Oelkon and
Montat and J. Weder (Brazil). 47.

ALCKLAND: Berling Sime champions AUCKLAND: Pacific finn championship: Fourth race: 1. J. Bertrand (US): 2. R. Dodson (NZ): 5. T. Dodson (NZ): 4. J. Lindbardsten (Donnarz): Overall: 1. Bertrand 25 yts; 2. Lindbardsten 25 yts; 2. Lindbardsten 26: 3. T. Dodson 27:7: 4. R. Dodson 29: 9. M. McIntyre (Britain) 55:7.

Latest European snow reports

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steeplechases last season, Kenlis just meeded the race when fourth to Ballet Lord at Wetherby on Boxing Day. Last ome out the nine-year-old started a short-priced favourite at Nottingham, but had to be ridden out by Tommy Carmody to beat Sea Emperor. However, it was a smooth performance and with only a 31b penalty Kenlis must go close.

Modesty Forbids is also still on the upgrade. A surprise winner

Modesty Forbios is also still on the upgrade. A surprise winner of the Anthony Mildmay. Peter Cazalet Memorial Handicap at Sandown, Josh Cufford's Grand National candidate, turned in a sound effort when third to Diamond Edge at Sandown. That

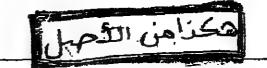
Diamond Edge at Sandown, That represented top-class form and the main doubt concerning Modesty Forbids is whether he can find enough finishing speed. Sweet September also possesses stantial in excess of speed, as he showed with finishing runner up to Master Smudge in the Sun Alliance Steeplechase last March. But now that he has been dropped in the weights the Irish-bred getding should make a bold bid. The New Zealand-bred So and So showed that he was running into form when chasing home Bishop's Pawn at Sandown, Kealis's turn of foot may be the deciding factor.

factor.

Ringgit, the sole English challenger of the afternoon, could do no better than fourth behind Karanas in the £4,459 Prix Maurice Edouard Delanglade at Cagnes-

Edouard Delanglade at Cagnessur-Mer yesterday.

He was fifth of the eight runners for the first three of the six and a half furlongs but moved up a place approaching the straight. He kept on gamely once in line for home but could make no real impression on Karanas, who was running for the third time in 10 days, Boldality and Vallina, Karanas struggled home by a neck and half a length at odds of 77—10 with Ringst another three lengths in arrears. Robert Armstrong's colt still earned \$450 for his efforts and looks capable of collecting larger prizes, probably over slightly longer distances, before long.



Little Owl wise enough to pass Ascot test

n rule Baptism of sandal and litter for England's winning pair

Bombay, Feb 12 Bombay, Feb 12

With the Wankhede Stadium full to overflowing—there were over 50,000 people present—the double whicket tournament was won here today by Ian Botham and Graham Gooch. If the cricket itself was of no particular significance, the sound and excitement it engandered will have shown those who have not played in India before, and that includes Botham and Gooch, what to expect in the Jubilee Test match starting on the same ground on Friday.

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The winners enjoyed the advantage of batring first, before it had become the accepted practice to place seven men on the boundary. They scored 34 runs off their ten overs, less ten runs for losing one wicket. The runners-up were the two Indian six-footers, Kapil Devand Sandeep Patil. Something like £1,000 will go into the England team's pool; the sponsors, Murphy's, were also on to a good thing, the day for them being a well-publicised success.

Such is the interest in cricical

Such is the interest in cricket n India that more people watched oday's entertainment than saw

two more than the previous New Zealand record held by Richard

the whole of the first Test match between Australia and West Indies in Brisbane in early December or the first Test between Australia and Eugland in Perth. There is nowhere in the world like it for arousing such enthusiasm; long may it last, even if the spectators do make a mess of the outfield and winkle their way in without paying.

The latest craze is for relieving a neighbour of his sandals or thongs and throwing them over the wire fence, which surrounds the ground, and on to the playing area. Weaving their way through the paper darts and the orange peel and the empty bottles and the sandals and the thongs, several of the flelders excelled todax—none more than Ghulam Parkar, who was there to make up the number and won the flelding prize for his efforts. The last Muslim to play cricket for India was Abid Ali: the next could well be Parkar, who scored a century recently against Pakisan.

No aspect of India's cricket has

No aspect of Iodia's cricket has improved more dramatically than their fielding: they no longer see it as the time for a siesta. Stevenson also threw like William Tell today, knocking stumps out of

the ground from all angles, and Bairstow showed that he can bowl very decently at medium pace and field with the best of them, as well as being able to keep which and but a bit. From everyone, in fact, there was some splendid fielding.

The hit of the day was a straight drive by Kapil Dev off Gavaskar, which went out of the ground and would have landed well back on the top deck of the Lord's pavilion. He and Patil are hoth fine strikers of the ball and much more heftly built than the average Indian cricketer. The 96 runs they stored between them were exceeded only by Bairstow and Stevenson, but both pairs were out several times.

And what else? well, there was the usual delay for 20 minutes after lunch while the outfield was being cleared of some of the litter, and although Randall scored more runs off his own bat than anyone else, he was also out more often. With the bowlers off limited rungs, Randall, Botham, Gooch and Lever still wore their belmets for batting, much to the amozement, I imagine, of the Indian players. You might as well play bowls in one—or fish for trout from a bulbet-proof car.

Haynes saves West Indies as Hadlee sets record to have

at square leg and Howarth missing a chance from Murray at second alip.

Cairns and Boock slowed the run rate after tea and when the second new ball was taken. Hadlee caused a further collapse in which four wickets went (or 29. Hadlee had Murray leg before with his third ball and became the highest New Zealand Test wicket-taker when he held a return catch from Parry in his next over. He then bowled Garner, and Tronp dismissed Holding. Haynes, whose century included six fours, has shown what can be achieved by application and patience.

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West Indies resumed today at 18 for one and soon plunged into deeper trouble as Hadlee and Troup took three more wickets while only 11 runs were added. Rome was leg before to Hadlee; Kallicharran, caught attempting to book Troup, was out without storing for the second time in the match; and the captain, Lloyd, was caught at the wicket off Hadlee.

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Surridge signs
David Surridge, a former Cambridge University pace bowler who teaches at Mill Hill School, is to join Gloucestershire for the new cricket season on a two-year contract. He is Gloucestershire's second bowling recruit within a week. They have also signed Alan Wilkins, the former Glamorgan player.

Yorkshire CCC new chairman

Arthur. Connell, Yorkshire's chairman since 1971, is not offering himself for re-election at the club's annual meeting in Sheffield on March 8. The committee bave nominated Michael Crawford has consequently resigned from his post of treasurer. Brian Sellers is to become a vice-president on lenving the committee Yorkshire made a profit of \$21,275 last senson compared with one of £7,877 in 1978. The annual report states that the team's senson

one of 17,877 in 1978. The annual report states that the team's scason " was not good enough and not as good as the potential of the side should achieve ". A new Yorkshire record was set up by Chris Old's benefit, which was 132,916. F32.916.
Tour changes: The Australian cricketers will play Hampshire in a three-day game at Southampton on August 6-8 next season, instead of two one-day matches as previously arranged. Their warm-up programme for the Centenary Test continues against Surrey on August 10-12, which means a Sunday start at the Oval.

Middlesex play at Uxbridge

By Marcus Williams
For the first time since they
met Hampshire at Hornsoy in 1959
Middlesex are to play a home
match this year away from Lord's. Their Schweppes championship match against Derbyshire, starting on August 20. will be played at Uxbridge Cricket Club. The reason for the move is that Lord's will be under preparation for the Contemporary Test against Australia. contenary Test against Australia. which begins on August 28.

nearly two years' absence.

The day ended with a disaster when Fulke Walnyn's 4-9 favourite, Captain Birdseye, was not only beaten into third place in the Ryton Novices Hurdle (second division) but dropped den after passing the post. The race went to Peter Calver's newcomer, Reggie Driffiel, who went very wide for the better ground, led at the last and stormed six lengths clear. The favourite also flopped in the first division, Fred Winter's Drive Past trailing in a fourth to Hot Lips Moli.

Woodham's emphatic success in

Spartan Missile resumed winning was delighted with Rolls Rambler.

double with Netherton, who should find Fairy King and Mister Boson to be his chief opponents in the Sapling Novices Steeple-

chase. Little Owl's Cheltenham objec-

tive is the Sun Alliance Novices Steeplechase and another horse who louks a likely candidate for Festival honours is Desert Hero, who runs in the Datchet Novices Hurdle. The style of Desert Hero's

wick, yesterday with an effortless victory in the Air Wedding Hunters Steeplechase, which is named after his grand dam. It looked for a time as if he might again be beaten for speed over ou inadequate trip when Great Crack kicked well clear a mile from home; but his owner-trainer-rider, John Thorne, who made the weight on a 21b saddle, was only giving him a breather. The 4-11 layourite jumped ahead three out cleared the last superbly, and came home with his partner repeatedly looking round.

Epartan Missile returns to Warwick next Thursday to tackle three and a half miles, a distance more to his liking. Thorne intends

By Michael Scely

A fensy of steeplechasing awaits visitors to Ascot this afternoon. The centreplece of a first-class programme is the 18,000 Whitshread Trial Handicap Steeplechase. However the main attraction will undoubtedly be the appearance of little Owl in the Reynoldstown Novices Steeplechase.

Rated by Feter Easterby as the most promising long-term prospect for the Cheltenham Gold Cup that the champion trainer has ever had in his yard, Little Owl was a talented young hurdler last season. In his third and final victory of the campaign, Little Owl defied the handicapper by 20 lengths at Wetherby.

Making his first appearance over fences at Newcastle in January, the class are season.

Making his first appearance over fences at Newcassile in Jamary, the six-year-old jumped like an old hand when disposing of the fir more experienced Peterhof by one and a half lengths. In his next race, however, the West of Scotland Pattern Steeplechase at Ayr, Little Owl was less impressive when only just beating the Irish challenger, Romany Count. And Don't Forget was not far behind the leaders when he fell at the last fence, But that was over two and a half miles and Little Owl will be more at home over this afternoon's longer distance at Ascot's more testing course.

rourse.

Henty Rishop, Ballydonagh and Caper's Lad form the hard core of the opposition. Henry Bishop showed a ready turn of foot when beating Tarbank at Kewbury last Friday and is a novice of some potential. So too is Tony Dickinson's Ballydonagh, who after winding three times in succession fell in Little Owl's race at Newcastle. However, the seren-year-old has been off the course for a month and may just need this race. Caper's Lad has twice trounced some moderate opponents by wide

some moderate opponents by wide margins at Tounton and Win-canton, although his exact capabilities are difficult to assess.

Little Owi is a confident selection to maintain his unbeaten record and Easterby may complete a

ways on his home course, War-

Woodham's emphatic success in the Princethorpe Handicap Steeplechase landed his trainer, three and a half miles, a distance more to his liking. Thorne intends to "just go on like this " before deciding Gold Cup and Grand National plans. He said: " The official handicapper, David Heyman, has just told me that Diamond Edge is 2st better than King Kong, who best Spartan Missile at Sandown, so that puts me in my place." Pred Winter Steeplechase landed his trainer, lim Old, in front of the stewards. Woodbam was pulled up in his last outing at Chepstow; but here he was backed from 20-1 to 14-1. Led over the last two and readily beat Tenecoon by three lengths. Old said: "He's the most unlucky horse we have ever had. He tends to make one terrible mistake and last time out struck."

Spartan Missile takes a breather and wins easing up into himself. Strangely enough, his two wins for me have both been when pulled up in his pre-ceding race." The stewards accepted Old's explanation.

Josh Gifford's Grand National candidate, Modesty Forbids, who runs in Ascot's Whitbread

recent success at Sandown Park had to be seen to be believed. Ridden with the maximum of confidence by John Francome, Richard Head's six-year-old was never off a tight rein to win by two lengths. On paper the value of the form is doubtful and judged on this basis alone, that possessed by Espario and the unbeaten northern trained novice, Prelko, is more worthwhile. However

John O'Neill brought a bright spot to rain-soaked Carlisle with a superb four-timer on Crofton Hall, Grecian Fighter, Black Mar-ket and Cool Down to bring his season's tally of winners to 80. season's tally of winners to 80.

Grecian Fighter's battling win had the cruwd shouting their approval from the stands. He got up by a head from Normandy Sign after appearing to have no chance at the last. Grecian Fighter, who last season at Catterick charged into the rails in the fog and nearly had to be put down, was always up with the leaders, but Kormandy Sign seemed to have the race sown up with a comfortable four-length

with a comfortable four-length lead jumping the final flight. Grecian Fighter rallied in great style to gain the verdict on the

Black Marker also won by a head in the Kirklington Novices Steeplechase, coming with a fly-

Results at

Warwick

yesterday

ALSO Rad 7-4 fat Drive Past 4th: 14-1 Appartion, 30-1 Foothow pr. Gwynn Ni, Red Barenmer, 8 ran.

TOTE: Win. 66p; places, 15p 13q, 23p, Dual F: 70p CSF: \$2.27. W. Marshall, at Newmarket, 1'd, 3'd.

2.30 42.31: PRINCETMORPS CHASE (Handlesp: £1,351: 2',m; WOODHAN, b c by Little Bushins—Moitsulous: 1D. Hooper, 10-10-0 G. Candy (12-1) Temescoba.... P. Warn: 114-1 2 Charbensier, Mr T. Thomson Jones 17-1: 3

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MIDDAY WELCOME, by br Croster—Bore D2 (J. 1-rost, 6-4 hir st. Triopgan (14.1) Lochage, hir st. Thomas Jones Captain Clover, Mrs J. Hembrow

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3.30 (3.74) BUNTON HILL HURDLE (Handles) £1.175. 2m; FOR, b u by Lurso—Bellinds Porket (J. Parker), 4-10-4 ...f. Morrat (J. Parker), 4-10-4 ...f. McLitarich

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TOTE: Win. 135: places, 10p. 34p. 20p. Dual F: 34p. CSF: 40p. M. J. Hipric, at Chesteriph, 3. U.J.

4.20 4 31 RYTON HURDLE Div II: 4-y-0 nortes. 2.36 2m; RECGIE DRIFFIELD, br q. Printe Regent (1-4/hile-rood II. Grigory 10-10 P. Harton Basten. C. Candy 14-1 1 Capital Birdsaye. W. Sm U-4-1 3

AUSO RAN: 0-1 Three Shoes, 12-1 Chostan ip: 16-1 Landlord Lady in: 20-1 MS Natale :: 3-1 Free Prince 14th: Manber Jayre in: 9 per, NR: Prince Healter TOTE, kilp. \$2,52; placts, \$1p. \$2p. 10p. Duck Fr \$14 13. CSI \$27 17. P. Calver, at \$25,56 at \$25.

ing finish to catch Cape Felly.
O'Neill was riding Black Market for the first time.
Jockey Club stewards have called for an inquiry imto the accident to Jonathan Haynes, a jockey, at Southwell on January 10. Haynes, a 19-year-old claiming rider, broke his back when Shiny Step fell three flights from home in the selling hurdle. He is still paralysed from the chest down. The Jockey Club inquiry will be into "the circumstances and procedures" adopted following the accident to Haynes.

Descrit Hero is impossible to

And so we come to the big race which is quite frankly a bit of a teaser. William Hills make Kenlis their favourite at 2-1, with Modesty Forbids and Sweet September at 4-1 and So and So 27 5.1.

t 5-1. Kenlis is trained by Dickinson

Beacon Light target beaten in his six races over fences, turns out next in the Nottinghamshire Novices' Steeplechase at Nottingham on Saturday. Arts and Sparks, a top-class Irish Flat horse, has joined Ron

Jim Joel's Beacon Light, un-Bill Marshall: won with Hot

Ations's Elstead stable to be trained for jumping. Arts and Sparks was fourth to Dickens Hill in the 1979 Irish 2,000 Guineas.

Table tennis

Home farewell

Equestrianism

Ricketts to be sponsored

he upgraded and then sold to Leon Melchoir of the Netherlands for a price reputed to be in excess of £70,000. Eventually, the borse was returned to England and Ricketts had many successes on him until he had to be put down in the ring at Wembley when he fractured a leg.

fractured a leg.

Since then, Ricketts's best successes have been achieved riding Hydrophane Coldstream for Rodney Ward. Now, his string will be increased by five horses with the Coral prefix. They are Coral's Denham (formerly Denham Hills), a 10-year-old Irish horse who has won in Dublin, Rickstread, and Olympia; Coral's Nice 'n' Easy, the nine-year-old mare, who was runner-up for last year's British jumping Derby, and three lesser-known horses: Coral's Classic (Attorney), a New Zealand horse who won seven major events last year, Coral's Wonder (Newton Green), who won six competitions last year, and The Coral Horse (Telex), who came from Deborah Johnsey.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Bullale Sabres 4, St Louis Sites 2.

Ascot programme

[Television: (BBC 2): 2.0, 2.30, 3.0 and 3.35 races]

1.30 DATCHET HURDLE (Novices: 52,600: 2m) 11131 Separte D) (G. Ward), F. Winder, 5-11-13 ... Mr O. Sherwood
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Reckbarten (K. Hisson A. Moore, 5-11-3 Merce
Salve Star (W. Graham), Mrs D. Oughton, 7-11-3 R. Barry
Saver Tycose (M. Olivier, N. Gardee, 11-3 R. Barry
Sacerre (D. Coombs), C. Miller, 6-11-3 D. Carlyrrish,
Terry Paine (Mrs P. Miller), D. Ringer, 5-11-3 S. McNelli J.
The Goldstone (Mrs S. Paicenham), W. Wightman, 8-11-5 R. Rover
Waterside (Mrs A. Little), Mrs E. Kennard, 7-11-3 P. Matere
Zagers (Lord Tartsick), N. Hendorson, 6-11-3 J. Nolan
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5-1 Desort Hyre, 9-2 Prelke, S-1 Knighthmod, 10-1 The Goldstone 2.0 SAPLING CHASE (Novices : £2,883': 2m1

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203 221313 Scattern Mehle (D) (Southern Caravan Groups, J. Gifford,
205 0-05110 Faky King (D) (T. Kitroet, J. Hiz-Gerald, 7-11-10 R. Rowe
207 224303 Mister Bosen (P. Barbert, J. Thorne, 7-11-3 ... K. Lamb
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210 421242 Orange Tag (D) (M. Garre, P. Alikagham, 7-11-3 J. O'Neril
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2.30 FERNBANK HURDLE (£2,869: 3m)

302 423371 Kelso Chunt. (£3) (Mrs M. Richardson). R Wilkinson.

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509 3-01300 Merving Lee (Mrs A. Allent. P. Chudell. 6-12-2) ... S. Smart

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181 48 Vib. Doo't Touch. 10-1 Broomley, 22-1 Kiner, 23-1 Molemore Boy. 3.0 WHITBREAD TRIAL CHASE (Handicap: 16,076: 3m)

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3-29133 Medesty Forbles (B) (R. Peskin), J. Gifford, 8-10-11 N. Rowe
3-2-2433 Medesty Forbles (B) (R. Peskin), J. Gifford, 8-10-11 N. Rowe
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22-2403 Sweet September (G) (Mrs B. Mechan), R. Iurnell, 8-10-7
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See and Se (D. Samuel; N. Gaselee, 11-10-1, ..., 10-10-2 Torology
432100 Ormonde Tudor (D) (J. Seffy), W. Wildman, 11-10-0 C. Linkler
3-32240 Rough and Tueskin (D) (L. Docker), I Winter, 10-10-2 To Hoote 3-1 Kenlls. 7-2 Modesty Forbids. 9-3 Sweet September, 5-1 Se and So. 15-2 tough and Tumble. 10-1 Master Spy, 13-1 Ormonde Fodor.

3.35 REYNOLDSTOWN CHASE (Novices: £4,721: 3m) 3.35 KEXNOLDSTOWN CHASE (Novices: 14,721: 3m)
501 2-0111 Ballydenagh (D) (A. Dicknevou), Dickneson, 7-12-0 T. Carmody
502 3211-11 Diviso Out (D) (Mrs B. Gundry), M. H. Easlerby, -0.12-0
503 102131 Houry Sickop, J. Cristody, J. Gifford, 7-11-10 R Rowe
504 025-1 Ade (K. Higson, A. Moore, B-11-6 Mrs. Moore
507 444911 Capar's Lad (Mrs E. Mitchells, N. Mitchell, 8-11-5, Mrs. Mitchell
509 111-130 Hoctare (Mrs. E. Gundry, F. Whiter, 7-11-6 ... J. Francome
5110 019011 Lasebany (D) (J.-Coven), W. Stephenson, 7-11-6 ... J. Krancome
5111 30-3214 Laving Words (A. Nettley), J. Thorne, 7-11-6 ... S. May
512 000-110 Martinsiawe (D) (Mrs. M. Easton), Mrs. W. Easton, 8-11-6)
513 W. Martinsiawe (D) (Mrs. M. Easton), Mrs. M. Easton, 8-11-6)
514 Capar's Lad, 6-1 Rallydonagh, 7-1, Henry Bishop, 10-1

4.10 KILFANE HURDLE (Amateur handicap : £1,592 : 2m 4f)

Ascot selections By Michael Seely

1.30 Desert Hero. 2.0 Netherton. 2.30 Morning Lee. 3.0 Kenlis. 3.35 LITTLE OWL is specially recommended. 4.10 Ascencia.

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Bangor-on-Dee programme

1.15 HOLYWELL HURDLE (Selling handicap: £388: 2m 80yd)

7-1 Gertard's Cross. 3-1 Sable Pieces, 7-2 Hit The Dock, 6-1 Tombols. 7-1 Tolestar, 10-1 Celebrity Squares, 16-1 others.

1.45 GREDINGTON STEEPLECHASE (Hunters: £639: 2m 4f GREDINGION

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2.15 LLANYMYNECH HURDLE (Novices handicap: £783: 2m

2.45 WREXHAM STERPLECHASE (5-y-o novices: £616: 2m 160yd)

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3.45 CHIRK HURDLE (4y-o novices: £365: 2m: 80yd)

Bangor-on-Dee selections By Michael Seely

1.15 Gerrards Cross. 1.45 Royal Frolic. 2.15 Royal Commotion. 2.45 Limit Up. 3.15 Master Ribot. 3.45 Ekbalco. daal forcast, 25p; CSF, 61p. T. Barron, at Northalkerton, Need, 101.

J.15 (J.18) MEADS MOOK NURBLE

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COOL DOWN, 9r (, by Warpath—

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Dunedin, Feb 12. — Desmond flarnes rescued West Indies from another batting disaster when he scored an unbeaten corner on the scored an unbeaten century on the fourth day of the first Test against New Zealand here today. Haynes, who has batted for 408 minutes, made 103 not out in the touring side's second innings 210 for nine, but that total did not appear to be enough as they led by only 101 with one day remaining.

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Haynes, top scorer with 55 in the first innings of 140, put on 87 for the fifth wicket with King, who made 41, and 64 for the sixth wicket with Murray, who scored 30; but despite the efforts of these three, New Zealand put themselves in a winning position thanks to mother fine spell of fast bowling by Richard Hadlee, who set a new Test record for his country. Hadlee, who took five for 34 in the first innings, so (ar has slx for 68 in the second and today's tally took his total in Tests to 118, two more than the previous New

Hadlee.

Haynes and King checked mediump, adding 34 before lunch and georing a further 53 in 63 minutes after the interval before King was out to a brilliant one-handed catch by Boock at square leg. Two missed chances allowed West Indies to improve their position further, Boock dropping Haynes

by Coral Racing

He sticks to her intention to refere at the end of the season, lift Hammersley will make her last hoome international appearance for march against Sweden at Portmouth today.

It is the end of an era that began when Mrs Hammersley played her first international as a 15-year-old in 1985. Since then she has represented her country on 424 cocasions and has been England's namber one since 1971. Neale was the previous while Diane Rowe, the part beet woman, played 233 times for England. In the European theapte alone Mrs Hammersley has made over 50 appearances in the season or last, and has lost endy once in 20 matches.

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England will be looking to her, and the leading man, Desmond Douglas, for their fourth European League win of the season in the leading man, Desmond Douglas, for their fourth European Victory would freshold the standard for the leading man, Desmond Douglas, for their fourth European the leading man, Desmond Douglas, for their fourth European vict champion, Stan Bengitson. Victory would freshold the standard freshold the leading man, Desmond Douglas, for their fourth European vict champion, Stan Bengitson. Victory would freshold the standard freshold the leading man, Desmond Douglas, for their fourth European vict champion, Stan Bengitson. Victory would freshold the standard freshold the standard freshold the standard freshold fresh

Boylan's farewell

The London Irish flank forward, Peter Boylan, plays his last game for the club when they meet Streatham and Croydon at Sunbury on Sunday. Boylan, a doctor, moves to Dublin at the end of the mouth.

Ice hockey

No flies on this happy band of men in waders and thermal underwear

An expensive twist to a fishy tale

About this time of year little coteries of men, well wrapped and saterproofed, accompanied by waders, rod cases, and other bulky pleces of equipment, climb aboard the night sleeper at Euston and settle themselves, with thermal underwear and a sleeping pfll, for the long haul several hundreds of miles to the north. The salmon listing season in Scotland has begun.

The Atlantic salmon has shown exemplary disregard of forecasts that by now it would be extinct. True, it has not all that happily survived—river catches are down by about 30 per cent against the lûyear average—but last year was not unreasonable and there was a good run of grilse towards the ackend with spawning in the head-acters reported as "not too bad" all in some cases "good". So there is still hope.

Attended: have been launched and The Atlantic salmon has shown

the new high-density plastic-coated lines have meant that the fly can now be fished successfully under conditions and in areas where previously only balt and heavy spinners could be used. Spinners are used less frequently and tait is coming into disfavour. The first coming into disfavour. The first moves to ban the use of shrimp and prawn altogether are reported and prawn altogether are reported from some of the beats of the first than the feathered concoctions on the feathered concoctions

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Appeals have been launched and summarically supported in order municastically supported in order to save the salmon, but the truth is that no one is certain how they are going to be saved if governments remain as indifferent as they need to the control of prear to be to the control of prear to be to the control of prear to be in the control of prear to be to the control

pools. There is the story—apocryphal perhaps, but with a considerable element of truth—of the six salmon fishermen who travelled from London to Scotland last spring and never returned, or at least not when they were due to return. The weather was bitterly cold, and four of them, wading deep ju a river full of ice floes, so thy pothermia and frosthite and were taken to hospital. The fifth fell on ice and broke his leg. The sixth—the only one of them to hook a salmon—was so excited at feeling a 20-pounder on his line that he had a heart attack, lost the fish, and had to be taken into an intensive care until at Inverness. Only the gillie survived.

Spring salmon fishing can indeed be dangerous—which is also part of its appeal—but in spite of the enormous increases in renais there is still cheaper fishing to the had then on the best beats of the Tweed and Tay, the Dee and the Spey. Fly fishing is not a rich man's sport, compared with shooting. Strutt and Parker's figures for this season show that one week's top salmon fishing for four rods may be around f1,500, one week's first class stalking (two rifles out each day, 29 stags) will cost £2,000; but one week's top grouse driving (100 brace a day) is £12,000 and one week's pheasant shooting (four days' shooting, clgit guns, 500 pheasants a day) is £16,000—all figures plus VAT.

Conrad Voss Bark

Getting service for the rates we pay

Gone are the days when the primary task of public servants was seen in terms of "giving service to the public". Once they performed basic duties of drainage and sewage (as in Clochemerle's Le Pissoir) and were paid accordingly. Today, things are different.

Chief officers of public authorities are among the highest paid in the land. They and part in the land. Idey and their officials enjoy privileges often not shared by the rest of society. Their influence and power affects the lives of millions. Perhaps one indication of the importance with which they are viewed is reflected in the public money (more than £55m for eight London borough town halls) spent ou their "mandarin palaces".

Yet more public servants, often located in prestigious offices, have hardly been matched by noticeable improvements in the quality and provements in the quality and reliability of services they provide. One can point to the expansion of the social services, but his this reduced the numbers of children in care, or the increasing numbers of old people who are institutionalized? As for urban squalor and inner city decay, this has grown in direct proporthis has grown in direct propor-tion to the size and power bestowed on council planning

Reduction in public expend-lture will no doubt, be the excuse for cutting the local authorities' services. But is this

In cities suffering from rateincome loss, the result of massive population displacement through indiscriminate inner area demolition, local authorities have a perfect opportunity to explore other ways of run-ning their services. If they are to do this they must first aban-don their rigid adherence to the doctrine that statutory reponsibilities can be discharged only by public officers employed within their own

The debate surrounding the venue for the Olympic Games has created a dilemma for many of the world's sportsmen and sportswomen. Their auxieties will bring sympathy from their South African counterparts who have for so long been demed that most cherished of sporting ideals—to represent their country in the company of the world's best.

Between the Olympic contro-versy and the question of sporting links with my country there are both differences and simi-larities. Now that both issues have become embraced by the same debate, some new perspectives have brought the threat facing international sport into learer relief. If my views on these reflect strong personal feelings it is because I have enjoyed the privilege of compet-ing at the top, while many of my friends have been denied comes once in a lifetime.

But the Olympic controversy is unlike the problem faced by our athletes for reasons that are worth examining. In the first instance there is no sug-

ment against encouraging the

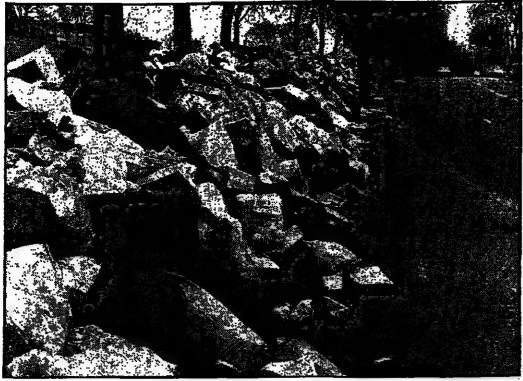
Queen to exercise her preroga-tive to appoint a Canadian

Herald extraordinary following

the precedent last year when a

Zealand Herald was

What concerns the Officers of



Breakdown in service : rubbish niled in South London during last year's strike by council workers.

And so long as the annual come of the local authorities for the most part is committed to meeting inflationary costs and annual salary swards, there is precious little chance of their improving things themselves—no matter which political party runs the town hall. Nor is it in our best interests for the majority of public services to be entrusted to officials within local authori-

Over the past decade there has been a visible drop in quality and standards as a result of increasing industrial disruption to the point wher it now appears that councils are losing control over their own employees, and as a conse-quence are unable to protect the most vulnerable

Take, for example, last year's social workers' strikes, or the year-long strike by drivers of wheel chair lifts on one-man operated buses and ambulances in Liverpool which in handicapped being virtual ori-Not surprisingly, ratepayers

now ask on what basis do they pay rates for services the councannot deliver. If a strike dustmen deprives ratepayers of refuse collection (as has happened the past two winters), and compells them to take their own rubbish to a tip, surely they should receive reimbursement. No commercial organization could default in way, yet councils continue

concerned to buy the best services for their ratepayers they could start by contracting out to private organizations those services undertaken by their own departments which have either a bad performance record or are especially costly to operate and so are likely to now search desperately for ways of sustaining the levels of own operations. Next much voluntary effort

provided an effective long of city services, Private firms plough snow, keep roads gritted, run school bus ser-

can hamburger chain, provides school lunches in one Ameri-

In Liverpool, Conservatives see the advantages of contracting out. Refuse collectionnow costing ratepayers £5.4m a year—plus £250,000 on being idministration—is looked at as one possibility for

private contractors taking over on a neighbourhood basis. A private contractor has no need to maintain a permanent work force, is less at the mercy of union demands and has the

union demands and has the experience to do the jobs more effectively.

The switch from public to private enterprise need not stop at the litter bin. The build-up in the numbers of architects and planners in public service could be effectively cut if building control regulations were relaxed and choice from private architects offered competitive design

services, there is perhaps the greatest scope. Paid "neigh-bourly care" could result in daily visits by the local house-wife, resulting in regular con-tacts with the old and the lonely. It would be better and cheaper than the occasional visit from the "welfare". visit from the westere.
Separate provisions from home help to meals on wheels services could be brought together in one locally based neighbourhood association.

together in one, locally based neighbourhood association.
Children's activities and play schemes could be run by mothers themselves, rather than by paid professionals.
Rather than the local authorities licking their wounds, they have the opportunity to pursue alternative strategies, dismantling the vast edifice of problic bureaucracy and recogpublic bureaucracy and recognizing that the provision of services is best returned to the people themselves. The Wel-rare State has passed its zenith—a new order of things

must begin to exist. The author is Conservative MP

selves. The case for our players and competitors rests on our own sporting society. We will not argue that our case is good because there are so many that are bad.

It is, however, precisely this last point which makes me fear for the future of world sport for there are those who do not see the injustices of victimizing South Africa for "political reasons " such as unprovoked exgression, genocide and the denial of the whole spectrum of human rights pass unnoticed. Clause 24c of the Olympic charter reads: "The committee must resist all pressures of any kind whatsoever, whether of a political religious or aconomic nature." We note that certain storts administrators who quote who ostracize our arbletes. It is this irony which makes some

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Bernard Levin

Notes on a programme for obscurity or parameters; he will point out the way in which the main

have no doubt that I shall say it again. Meanwhile, I am say ing it today. I went to the Festival Hali to hear Abbado and the LSO do the Mahler Fifth, preceded by Pollini playing the Schoenberg Piano Concerto, a work which put me powerfully in mind, and with rather more objective justifica-tion, too, of Rossini's celebrated remark to the effect that the overture to Tannhäuser would sound just as well played backwards. (The concerto is sup-posed to be in four move ents, left off—after 20 minutes or so without my having noticed any particular elteration in the nature or quality of the sounds.) The Mahler was very exciting, though it left me, as Mahler abnost invariably does, quite unamost invariably does, quite in-moved, whereas Bruckner's almost equally spacious sym-phonic wrestlings find me deeply involved in his struggle. Bruckner universalizes; Mahler

But that is not what I am about this corning. What I am about is the programme notes for the concert, by Ates Orga, who sounds like an anastram, possibly of O. EAT RAGS, which is what Marie Antoinette which is what Marie Antonette really said, or AARG! TOES!, which is what the startled policeman said when he found a horrid clue in the case of the gentleman who had dismembered his wife, or A RAT GOES, which will be the headline on

which will be the headline on my obittiery of a certain politician, or simply GOAT-ARSE, a term of abuse common among Cypriots, I believe.

Anyway, Mr Orga, in his guide to the evening's music, amply bore out the truth enshrined in the definition of such writing that I first put forward many years ago: those who can understand it don't need it, and those who need need it, and those who need it can't understand it. As

. . this Adagletto functions to some extent as an introduction—in the present case to a predominantly linear, stratified Roudo-Finale of immense scope in which the structural parameters of sonata-rondo and variation are combined with a masterful display of fugal and imitative texturing worthy of late Beethoven, not to say the Mozart of the Prague or the Junter, in the toughness and cohesion of its procedure.
Now a men who can write
drivel like that about Mabler will obviously be inspired to even greater efforts when it comes to Schoenberg, and so he is, with this result:

In the 40s, Schoenberg re-interpreted this trait in har-monic rather than textural forms, contrasting instead the enti-gravitational equality of serialism with the gravita-tional inequality of diston-icism. With the Piano Concerto such tendency gives rise ingly retrogressive nature. In the long term, however, these prove paradoxically to be not so much backward-looking as anticipant of the future. At this mature moment of his development (as we have

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themes are introduced and developed, draw attention to contrasts of melody or tempo

that the composer stressed

touch upon the quality of the

scoring, indicate which instru-

ments are prominent at which

significant points, refer to use-ful parallels or analogies which may be presumed to lie within the listener's experience, and

then shut up and let art do the

know, art is magic, and magic in its purest form, too, which must not yield to one of woman

Now at this point, Mr Org.

or his lawyers, may ask me whether I can provide any evi-

be done, let alone that it has been. As it happens, that's easy: there are half a dozen

regular writers of concert-notes today who do exactly what I have demanded above, our own Mr Mann, I am bappy to say,

prominent among them. But a study of what is at present available in London's concertialls may be thought invidious;

halls may be thought invidious; let me then offer an example of what I mean from a somewhat earlier day. Perhaps some of my older readers will recognize the style—by its simplicity, its hopesty, its straintforward, practical helpfulness—from their own first steps on the journey into music, and certainly they, and many others who do not know who the

who do not know who the writer is, may also recognize what music is here being written about, which is a good deal more than anybody could do

The long slow movement (Larghetto) is happily designed to contrast with the

virile energy of the Allegro.

The strings start with a melody of eight bars, re-echoed by the woodwind. The character of the theme is

melancholy, but tender rather than poignant. The second subject (also eight bars) is treated in the same way as the first by the strings and woodwind. A syncopated melody for the first violins seems to be leading us away

seems to be leading us away from the restrained sudness of the opening the e, end presently the second violins

and cellos bring in a new figure, distinctly cheerful in

character. The first subject is repeated in the minor, de-

genuity, and passed to and fro among the various groups

of instruments. There is a modification of the lighter figure alluded to above. The

movement ends with a re-statement by the full orches-tra of the opening strain.

That is an account of the slow movement of Beethoven's

Second Symptony, by the great

Rosa Newmarch, and I do not believe that the job has ever

it can be. Certainly it provides

true nourishment for the con-

of Mr Ates Orga does not. A matter, you might say, of TEA

veloped with funciful

with Mr Orga:

suggested) Schoenberg's art had reached that point when many of those rigid features typical of his technique in its typical or his technique in its formative stages could now actually be discarded without the overall serial logic of the whole suffering. Thus I Thus I is a fine word in the circumstances, I must say I the Piano Concerto freely encourages the appearance of distonically/tonallyimplicit or [sic] combinations, the often frequent
application of the Grundgestalt in vertical (chordal)
rather than horizontal
(melodic) form, the use of
pedal points, a relative simplification and elucidation of
rhythmic structure, and so on,
In the name of Saint Cecilla

In the name of Saint Cecilia and all her harp-playing angels, what use is that to any human being alive? Note that I do not sak what it means; it doesn't mean anything, but doesn't mean anything, but even if it did and there were someone who understood every word of it, in what way would it add to the total of such a paragon's happiness or knowledge?

It is true that Mr Orga is attempting one of the most difficult tasks that language can set its users. He is trying to convey the essence of music in words, whereas the assence of music does not lie in words, and if it were possible to catch the musical essence verbally composers would all be novel-ists, or at the very least poets. But the solution to this insoluble problem is not to write gibberish; it is to accept that the programme note writer's function is a humbler one: to guide the listener who needs guidence through a piece of music in a way which enables him to hear more clearly how the composer is reaching his effects. How he is reaching them, mind; what the effects are is something that sitogether bypasses such ratiocination, and they stir us in ways which are not dependent upon reason at all, and could not stir us at all if they were, or even if they tried to be. (Have

you ever shed a tear at a concert of the music of Satie have been having dinner instead? Come to think of it, though, where does that leave The Art of Fugue?) Such a guide will not waste time on pseudo-crudite twadd-

lings about the Grudgestelt C Times Newspapers Ltd. 1980

Olympics: one rule for Moscow and another for South Africa?

restion the athletes of the Soviet Union should pay the price of their government's aggression.
They are free to compete at the
Winter Olympics and whenever
similar meetings might take
place. That is how it should be. The question here is, rather, one which concerns the venue which, given the unparalleled prestige of hosting the Olympic Games, has an importance all its

In the case of South Africa it is the athletes themselves who are decied various forms of inpernational competition by those who allege that policies of racial discrimination deny equal opportunity to black sportsmen and sportswomen. In the foreboycott initiated by the International sport. These are non-national Olympic Committee 20 secial, and their constitutions

Scottish Officers of Arms have College of Arms instead of to a Grant of Arms to the Lord been campaigning to ensure that the Lord Lyon, the crown's Lyon. If the English College of armorially minded Scots living supreme officer of honour in Arms prevails in having a in Canada do not accidentally Scotland. This would automatic Canadian Herald extraordinary

would be withdrawn: "He

would virtually cease to be a Scot legally Mr Malcolm Innes of Edingight, Marchmont

Merald said.

About one third of Lyon court business comes from abroad, much of it from Canada: "That is a highly Scot-

find themselves classed as ally register the applicant as a gentlemen of England legally gentlemen of England. The legal

barred from wearing the kilt. and constitutional right to They hope their efforts have belong to a clan, to head a clan

persuaded the Canadian govern- or even strictly to wear a tartan

Arms in Scotland is that any Canada: "That is a highly Scot-Scottish Canadian seeking a tish country. Many Canadians grant of arms may be obliged are proudly Scottish and a

Herald said.

the commitment to the removal of equitable political dispensation has also had its effect in the sphere of sport. It is true that there was discrimination. Like most societies, ours is still imperfect—to a degree which mperfect—to a degree which continues to occupy our attentions. Yet the question that begs the answer is why our athletes should be punished at a time when South African sport no longer denies the black

The South African Governand sportswomen. In the fore-ment recognizes the autonomy front of such action was the of the controlling bodies in contain no stimulations of a dis-In the interventog years, and craminatory nature. The organ-especially in recent times, South ization of sport at club level we ask no more than that they African society has undergone is again regarded as a matter believe what they see them-

appointed then Scots living out there would be significantly dis-enfranchized" he said. The view of the Scottish Offi-

cers of Arms is that if every

Commonwealth country had a herald then each would become

a separate granting entity. That would lose substantial business

to the Lyon court which cur-

rently handles about 200 peti-tions a year, half of them grants

of arms and the rest metricula-

for an appropriate difference in their family's arms.

tions where descendants apply

player the opportunities of the

Clubs are free to select their membership on whichever basis they may choose—there are no berriers of a racial or other nature imposed by government. No legal prohibitions or hindrances remain regarding the use of public stadia, pitches and sports fields by any competitor.

The scentic may sale what The sceptic may ask what effect this has had in practice. During the first nine months of 1978, a total of 2,615 mixed sporting competitions took place at club (2,325), provincial (178), national (68), and international (44) level, Since that Fact-finding missions and interested individuals from Britain, France and other

this article to defend the

African sport and the Moscow Olympics valid and necessary. Dawie de ViBiers

> them. In Scotland the records are statutorily opened as of right for a minimal fee". Also in Scotland a new grant of arms without supporters will cost £497 and remetriculation £133. The charges are substan-

tially higher in England. Heraldically England and Scotland are distinct kingdoms. the Lord Lyon is basically a crown advisor and the proceeds of his court go direct to the Treasury. The College of Arms is a private incorporation under Royal Charter allowed a much freer entrepreneurial hand. Fair to say, Scotland probably has a more relaxed attitude towards Heraldy so long as arms are correctly displayed: "There is very little snobbishness and

may apply. Our latest grant of arms was to a dogbreeding society. Mr Innes declared. Although feelings have im-proved markedly there remain some needling anomalies between heraldic institutions

north and south of the border. At the state opening of parlia-ment, and arguably a United Kingdom event, English heralds are invited but not Scottish. When a peer from Scotland is introduced to the House of Lords it is an English not a Scottish herald who carries out the introduction. The English judiciary are represented at the opening of parliament not the Scottish and when the English College of Arms formally

addresses the Lord Lyon the Lord High Constable and the Lord Advocate they invariably omit the qualification of lord, which has been known to burst a few Heraldic bloodvessels

The sharpest burt still temembered north of the border happened when the Queen attended a coronation blessing at St Giles cathedral Edinburgh. The Scots turned out in the full of those whom Scottish heralds of those whom Scottish heralds splendour of their superb hou-

The slip has never been

better, wore a pink cocktail

Ronald Faux

believe should have known and and a south

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number of them seek to mark that distinction by applying for Lord Lyon unlike the English Malcolm Innes explained: Malcolm Innes explained: information must employ a "In England there are 13 herald to do the research for

Earl Marshal is a judge paid from the consolidated fund

and his court depends upon

government finance. Like all

such departments these days it

prefers to present a profitable

SORGERANCE.

Pity the poor Scots abroad who could lose their kilts

As a gentleman of

England ... he would

virtually cease to be

a Scot legally

ANKARA DIARY

Power cuts. curtail hair cuts

Walking to the office the other day, I heard an unfamiliar, loud, put-putting noise just a few doors down from my home. Several people had stopped to look at a rusty pipe which emerged from the basement of the block of flats at the corner, went straight up for about 12 went straight up for about 12 feet and turned a sharp 90 degrees to form an inverted L. The pipe was shaking although the end was secured by wire to a free, and it was belching becamish are nuffe of emple brownish-gray puffs of smoke.

The hairdresser on the ground - Cleaner floor of the building had put up a new sign which proudly pro-claimed, "No power cuts due to generator," which explained the unfamiliar mechanism.

Ladies' coiffeurs (or Kuafor, as the signs say), are just one of many establishments which suffer from the daily power cuts of four hours in Ankara. Six days a week, from 8.30 am to 12.30 pm, the electricity goes goes off with unfailing regu-larity. In the early hours of the cut, the traffic—already rather erratic to begin with—at the Kavaklidere intersection be-Kavaklidere intersection be into the centre of the city built comes a shambles when the in what looks like a three-sided lights go out. Policemen in bowl, one can actually see somewhite caps, red in the face from thing other than the thick blowing on their whistles, furiously try to wave the magma of cars into motion, usually to only visible smog these days is f cars into motion, usually to only visible smog these days is to a source of energy which is a small, greyish mushroom of just as short as coal or fuel-flousewives too suffer a great a cloud just over the central oil: electricity.

deal. Electrical appliances, if Kizilay square and its immeone forgets to unplug them at 8.30, try to come alive with sickening, groaning lurches as the power pours back at 12.30. During those four long morn-

ing hours, many apartments are

without water because their pumps are not working, and cooking on electric heaters is, of course, out of the question Most houses cannot be heated during that period, but this is of little importance, because more than half of the buildings in Ankara cannot be heated even when the power is on.

Cold but

In the past, the citizens of the Turkish capital dreaded the coming of winter because Ankara is one of the most pollurad action on the most pollurad action on the most of the most pollurad action on the most of the most ted cities in the world. "We are choking to death." as a common complaint. The addirional fact that Turks are verv heavy and inveterate smokers did nothing to help the lungs

of Ankara residents. As far as pollution goes, Ankara hasn't had it as good as this winter for a long time. On some mornings, looking down into the centre of the city built in what looks like a three-sided

diate environs.

The problem this year is just that: the lack of smog means that the city isn't being heated. So people are freezing to death instead of choking to death. This obviously isn't much of an improvement, and no one

really wants to freeze to death. The wealthy move to hotels with their families. A number people go on prolonged visits to the homes of friends or relatives who have heating, with the understanding, of course, that the friends will move to their house when the tables are turned, so to speak. Others are determined, apparendy, not to leave home, so pot for other solutions.

Many centrally-heated luxury flats which rent for 250 to 300 pounds a month now have squat, black, coal or wood stoves sitting in the middle of the living room, a circular hole out into a window to allow the store-pipe to stick out.

But coal is hard to find, and so is wood, and enterprising businessmen are coming up with new inventions, or finding markets for almost forgotten ones. One craftsman is converting old sea mines into sawdust burners which reportedly heat a large room very quickly and very cheaply. All one needs do for fuel is take a trip to the carpenters' shops in the city's industrial district and help sweep the floors.

The local press all agreed that Lord Carrington had the right



The Carrington

idea when he visited Ankara in January. The newspapers ran more pictures of the 30 electric fan heaters the Foreign Secretary brought along on his flight than they did of Lord Carrington himself.

sometimes has disastrous results. I was visiting a friend who lives in the "clean air city" of "OR-AN", about 10 miles south of the capital. Billed
as the solution to Ankara's polAnother acq lution problem, the rather un-attractive neighbourhood, which looks like a collection of iso-lated council houses, boasts such distinguished residents as former Premier Bülent Ecevit and at least three former Cabinet members, including a minister energy and a minister of finance.

Officers of Arms each able to

operate a private practice as a herald or genealogist. For example the records of the

College of Arms are not gen-

erally open to the public for research. Anyona seeking

It is a sign of the democracy in the country that neither of them have been immune from OR-AN's heating problem. Mr Ecevit spent a week in bed with the 'flu, and my friend was telling me that they had had no heating since the beginning of

We warmed up with brandy and about half a dozen fan heaters, enjoying the view of the snow-covered Elmadag mountain nearby.

Dusk fell, lights were put on, television sets switched to the evening news and more and more ian heaters were turned on throughout OR-AN as people returned home from Sunday Outings.

But OR-AN's local power station apparently could not cope with the 2,000 to 3,000 watts of extra juice milked from it by we watched as, in a flash of fireworks, the main power line blew up and plunged the neighborn. bourhood into darkness-and

arrington himself. I returned to my home which, But this method of heating miraculously, had one of its 28

warm days this winter. friend packed a suitcase and moved with his wife and two children into a suite in one of

Another acquaintance tried the same solution was told that there were no more rooms at the best hotel in town. He went down the list of hotels with the same result until he reached a standard of hostelry to which he found freezing preferable.

The manager of one fashion-able establishment told me that a large number of their customers this winter were well-off Ankara residents tired of shivering at home who moved in for a warm night's sleep and a hot bath,

A daub on the steppe

The situation has been unpleasant this winter, the worst the country has known in thirty years. But cold and drab and srey as it is, Ankara is not all desperation: In its polhated heart, it boasts Turkey's first zone restricted to pedestrians only.

This haven which measures two city blocks by four just off Kizilay (Red Crescent) Square, is also the city's favowrite eating and drinking area. One block of Sakurya Avenue, which runs shrough the centre of the pedestrian zone, has been transformed into a huge beer-garden. It has a closed-off "fish restaurant", but most customers prefer to

sip on draught beer and munch on "doner kebab" (slices of on "döner kebab" (slices of pressed and grilled meat), "hamsi" (delicious Black Sea anchovies) or "cig köfie" (heavily spiced raw mince, Turkey's answer to steak tarture) sandwiches in the open, chatting with friends and watching the activity of the colouries. ing the activity of the colourful green-grocers lining the street and listening to the none less colourful language of the wel-lingtoned fish vendors.

The "Sakarya Beer Garden", as this segment of the pedestrian zone is called, is owned by the municipality, and seems to have started a fad: establishments in this busy shopping area are restaurants, pubs, tavernas or "beer and hamburger" bars.

The pedestrian area thought up by Ankara's pre-vious mayor, Mr Vedat Dalokay, a social-democrat and one of the country's best known architects. It was modelled loosely on Istanbul's once famous "Flower Market", a culinary landmark which suddenly collapsed one night in

The people of Istanbul boast that the quality of their drinkers, described as "celebi" persons (a term defining a bon vivant who is a combination of modesty, intellectualism, kindness and benign permissiveness), is the result of years of breeding in a cosmopolitan half-western, half-oriental met-ropolis, The Ankara variety, they say, cannot be compared with the Istanbal drinker: they

can be rowdy, which is frowned upon, or boring, which is worse, or have, more often than not. "le vin triste", which is a veritable sin.

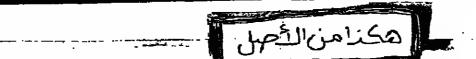
It is understandable, for the residents of a city eventually end up being a reflection of the city itself. A collection of small houses around a Histine fortress whose foundations were laid five thousand years ago, Ankara had a population of 20,000 in the 1920s when it was made the Capital.

Its population today is more than a hundred times that It was urbanized by German and Austrian architects in the 1930s, which accounts for its drab and austere government offices-Most of the civil servants who make up the bulk of the popu-lation, overworked, underpaid. worried and harassed, are a far from joyous lot.

Still, the tmy pedestrian cone has made a big difference. In the summer, when the res taurants and tavernas spill out into the sun-drenched streets. bands play there, there is folk dancing in the streets and open are exhibits of Ankara artists draw large crowds.

A daub of green on the grey Anatoliain steppe, Ankara then becomes almost beautiful It is definitely a far cry from the definitely a far cry men coid, smog, and snow-bound winter; which explains why more and more residents at the definitely a far residents. taking "summer leave" during the cold months to best for the warmer, unpolluted air of the

Sman Fisek



From Mr Keith Showering

Sir, As someone with long and close

personal experience of industrial relations, I must take issue with several of the points made in your leading article on Saturday (February 9).

Of course, there can be no discovered to the role of severe the role of the role

agreement with your major argument, that the present law has many deficiencies. The purpose of the new Employment Bill is to correct some of these.

But the matter goes for deeper than this, Industrial relations in this

country have now reached a point

strategy is required than merely changes in the law. Mr Prior, for from being comparable to a "sloth",

from being comparable to a "sloth", has demonstrated an application and understanding of these problems that mark him out as a major contemporary politician and your comparison with Baldwin, far from being derogatory, should be seen in the context of Baldwin's remarkable achievements in this field in the 1920s.

Then as now there were many

Then, as now, there were many Conservatives and industrialists who were calling for major legislative

action against the trade unions, Baldwin, while accepting the need for certain changes in the law,

and his Government in the assault

upon the unions and interests which

What are required are petience, wisdom, and determination. Mr Prior has all three quelires, and

he deserves not only our respect but

Sir. Your leader of February 9

ignores the fact that law, to be effective, requires the active allegiance of the majority of those whose behaviour it is designed to regulate. Laws cannot themselves

alter prevalent patterns of be-haviour; they need to be accom-

panied by social and economic policies which ensure that mode-

rate trade unionists-who consti-

tute surely the vast majority—are not driven into the arms of ex-tremists. The 1971 Industrial Relations Act failed through refus-

ing to acknowledge this connexion.
The law is certainly needed to

ensure that trade unions become more responsible and accountable bodies, but attention also needs to

be given to the wider aspects of industrial relations, such as the

need to involve the worker more closely with his work, and to re-form our chaotic pay bargaining system as advocated by Sir John

Baldwin was right then. Mr Prior

they represented.

our support. Yours faithfully,

KEITH SHOWERING.

Allied House, 156 Sr John Street, EC1. February 12.

From Mr V. B. Bogdanor

is right now.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THE WELFARE OF THE WORLD

Most of us look at the world with a curious form of double vision. On the one hand we see mankind as a single community with a common interest in prosperity and survival. From this vantage point we observe with puzzled exasperation the way in which it squanders its money on armaments, tears itself apart in senseless quarrels, neglects its poor, pollutes its environment, gobbles up its scarce resources, and rushes blindly towards famine, war, and perhaps even total self-destruction. We are tempted to imagine that if we could call it to self-awareness through some kind of global public address system it would stop in its tracks and change

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At the same time with our other eye we see the world in terms of rival power blocks whose interests must be balanced, nation states trying to survive, politicians struggling with daily problems and citizens with little power. We support higher defence budgers because we see our security threatened. We sell arms to allies for the same reason. We cut foreign aid because it has no voting constituency and seems often to bring little visible return. We stake our claims to resources in order to survive. We accept whatever level of poverty and pollution seems dictated by the

price of the remedy. Both these perceptions are valid in the same way that an individual can see both his own interests and those of the community and cannot let one entirely subsume the other. The problem is to link and balance the two. Herr Willy Brandt recently switched his idealistic drive from the task of reconcil-ing West Germany with its eastern neighbours to the wider task of reconciling what are loosely called the northern rich and the southern poor of the world. His commission has now produced its report, which is about as good a statement as any yet made of the global view. Its analytical sections are a devastating indictment of human folly, typified by nuggets of information such as that we spend about \$450 billion a year on arms when for the price of just one jet fighter we could set up 40,000 village pharmacies. Yet the commision has members, including

trade unions' attempt to imitate

his success of last October has

gained them a respectable back-

ing, though nothing on the Edwardes scale. The result sup-

ports the use of industrial sanctions in pursuit of the cur-

rent pay claim, but it does not

mean that the company will im-mediately be plunged into a strike. The majority, in fact, is

scarcely high enough to en-

courage the workers' leaders to

take so risky a course. Every

sign of growing readiness among

union leaders to allow their fol-

lowers to take a share in the conduct of trade disputes by

means of the ballot is in any

case something to be welcomed,

It may appear strange at first

sight that a body of workers

who voted so overwhelmingly in

favour of the Edwardes plan four months ago, and thus showed that they understood how

serious a plight the company

stood in, can now find a majority

whatever the result.

Herr Brandt and Mr Edward Heath, with long experience of practical politics, so it must be expected to produce realistic recommendations as well.

Some of these are vulnerable. The report does not wholly face the problem that massive transfers of resources to the South would inevitably mean massive financing of deficits in those areas. Its recommendations on new forms of special drawing rights could be inflationary. The world money supply needs to be treated separately from the problems of helping those in need. A more consistent distinction between those countries that must rely for the foresecable future on charity and those that, with the right sort of help, could generate their own growth would help to distinguish those forms of financing that can be subject to more or less normal banking Criteria from those that cannot. There will also be doubts about whether the recommendations on stabilizing commodity prices take full account of the extent to which future scarcities will drive up prices.

However, one simple but powerful idea runs right through the report. It is that we should not be thinking in terms of aid to developing countries but in terms of mutual benefit and common survival. It argues that " a large scale transfer of resources to the South can make a major impact on growth in both the South and the North and help to revive the flagging world economy". Herr Brandt invokes the analogy of the nineteenth century when "a long and assiduous learning process was necessary until it was generally accepted that higher wages for workers increased purchasing power sufficiently to move the economy as a whole". In other words, if the world is seen as a single nation it makes sense to raise the living standards of the poor to stimulate trade and economic growth. It also makes sense to meet grievances before

they provoke war.

Most of the familiar objections receive an answer. Industrial development in the South will require adjustments in the North, says the report, but will not increase unemployment because of the stimulus it will give to trade. Saving lives in the South will not aggravate the population problem because pros-

THE BARGAINING BALANCE AT BRITISH LEYLAND

It is not only Sir Michael was never realistic to imagine to feel the least eagerness to

Edwardes who can reap advanthat the earlier ballot signified strike to be of service to a direct

instincts of the past. It is quite

possible to have a clear view of the precarious state of BL and

at the same time see that a " yes "

vote would tend to strengthen

the hand of union negotiators

known to be themselves acutely

aware of the danger the com-

The vote has strengthened

their hand, but not enough to

affect the balance of power very

much. The original claim was for

26 per cent, and the rejected offer was for 10 to 15 per cent.

Even since the votes were cast,

two months' bad sales have made

another round of lay-offs un-

avoidable. Stocks are high, and

the steel strike may soon affect production at BL whether there is a strike there or not. Most

users can easily delay the deci-

sion to buy for months if need

be; a British Leyland strike

would not cause a car famine.

Secondary action, which even in the steel dispute has proved.

an unwieldy weapon, becomes still more unwieldy farther down

pany stands in.

tage by calling a ballot of the a wholesale abandonment by the

British Leyland workforce. The employees of all the attitudes and

perity and literacy tend to reduce birth rates. The bad record of the South in making the best use of aid, which has done much to disillusion the North, is met with the somewhat optimistic acknowledgment that social, political and agrarian reforms are widely needed. The argument that there are simply not enough resources, particularly of energy, to give the whole world a decent standard of living is only partly met with a plea for better use of resources. But there is a strong warning that competition for resources could be one of the greatest dangers of the future.

As a description of the problems that face us, and a warning of what could happen if we fail to respond, the report can hardly be faulted. It ought to become one of the basic documents of the decade. It is a partial answer to those who feel that politicians never lift their eyes above the next election. Here are some politicians, relieved of the daily strains of office, who have drawn on their reserves of experience and idealism to seek answers to the largest questions of all,

Will they achieve anything? It is not as if no efforts had been made before. The yawning gulf between the global view and the policies of national governments has been revealed over many years in a long series of largely fruitless North-South meetings, the latest of which ended only this week in Delhi amid even worse recriminations than usual. Even Herr Brandt's commission was at one stage brought almost to its knees by Internal disagreements. If relatively independent experts cannot agree, what hope is there for governments?

The best hope, perhaps, is that global and national perceptions will come together on the simple issue of survival. The third world has the resources that the developed world needs. It also has tensions which could explode. National self-interest alone demands a more determined look at these problems. Obviously they would be tackled best in cooperation with the Soviet Union and its allies, whose aggression has added so much to the burden of world armaments, but if rivalry must continue it is all the more important that the western democracies should pursue their own enlightened self-interest in cooperation with the third world.

competitor. Even if-which is

unlikely—the dockers mounted a

blockade on imported cars like

their present blockade of steel, BL itself, the rest of the industry

at home (and a government pre-

occupied with the cost of

imports) would feel relieved

ultimate focus of union hopes

and fears would be the possible

role of the Government. Would

it genuinely contemplate allow-ing BL to fail, causing heavy unemployment, however desper-

are the company's position? The answer must be that it very well might, especially if the final blow had been dealt by a strike.

Unlike British Steel, British Ley-

land in its present form is not

in any sense an indispensable part of the structure of a devel-

oped economy. Dismantling the

company, parts of which are effi-

cient and profitable, would not mean throwing all its employees out of work. It is touch and go

whether BL comes through

intact. Even with their hands

strengthened by the ballot result.

the unions would be foolish to press too hard.

As in the case of steel, the

rather than the reverse.

Methyen, of the CBI.

No advanced industrial society can sustain successfully a perma-nent arms-length relationship between government and trade unions. In Opposition, the Conservative Party's mid-term manifesto, "The Right Approach to the Economy", advocated the establishment of a forum within which government, employers and unions could discuss these wider problems. Is it not time for this proposal to be resurrected. Yours sincerely. VERNON BOGDANOR, Brasenose College, Oxford.

February 11. From Mr T. J. Matthews Sir, Like some of your correspondents, you seem to be drifting away from the realities of industrial relations and allowing yourself to

Trade unions and the rule of law be caught up in an emotional reaction to union power. Your own experiences have obviously left a

deep scar. While the law undoubtedly provides a hasis for industrial be-haviour, the idea that it can regu-late that behaviour is both wishful thinking and historically inaccurate. The present servour has diverted attention from the developments that have taken place since Lord Donovan published his report, encouraging the development of couraging the development of structures within an organization for disputes to be aired and resolved.

That report noted that the influence of national leadership on rank and file membership had diminished and those structures that it encouraged are intended to bring some order and certainty as a response to that change.

Removing legal immunity from trade unions in secondary situa-tions will exacerbate rather than resolve the conflict, will further reduce the influence national leadership has over its members, increase uncertainty, and will either lengthen disputes or force them into unconventional forms which the structures developed in response to the Donovan report will be un-

What has been said and written over the past few weeks is a red herring, and the sooner we return to concerning ourselves with the realities of industrial relations, the better.

Yours faithfully, T. J. MATTHEWS, 9 Incey Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham. February 10.

From Mr Gerald Howarth

Sir, You are fully justified in your call (leader, February 9) for the proposals on trade union law reform to be strengthened. As you observe, the Employment Bill would outlaw secondary picketing but would do nothing to deal with the real curse -secondary blacking and sympathy atrikes.

I believe that the remedy lies in re-enacting the provisions of s.98 of the Industrial Relations Act, 1971. The principal effect of that section was to make it an unfair industrial practice, "in contemplation or furtherance of an industrial dispute", to cell or organize a suike or "any irregular industrial action short of a strike" where the target was not a party to the industrial dispute in question. It could be updated by making such secondary action a civil offence and entitling an afflicted employer to claim damages either from the offenders or, in the case of an official action, from the union's funds.

To re-enact s.98 would not constitute a crude or hasty response to the steel strike. With the House of Lords having twice recently expressed the clear view that secondary action of virtually any nature is legitimate, the unions will continue to use this weapon so long as it remains available.

It may be anticipated that Mr Scargill et al will make ominous noises should such a provision be included in the Employment Bill. However, as the ORC poll in The Times last month suggested, not only the general public but also the majme general public but also the majority of trade unionists would welcome such a more. I hope that the Government will catch the public mood and legislate swiftly.

Yours faithfully. GERALD HOWARTH,

Broadwater, 2 Grantbam Road, Chiswick, W4. February 11.

Double appeal in steel

strike From Mr Neville D. Vanduk

Sir, The suggestion of Mr Amhony Cripps, QC (February 8) that the services of the Law Lords and the Lords Justices should be combined to form several divisions of one single appeal court requires refine-ment. It is desirable that litigation involving important points of prin-ciple, and porential leading cases, should be decided by and with the authority of five senior judges.

A Full Court of Appeal (FCA) could be substituted for the House of Lords acting in its judicial capacity. The provisions of part II (sections 12-16) of the Administration of Justice Act, 1969, permitting an appeal direct from the High Court to the final court of appeal (the House of Lords), point the way. If the FCA were composed of five judges of a standing of not less than those now qualified to sit on the Appeliate Committee of the House of Lords and, if necessary, of Lords Justices of Appeal, their decisions would be regarded as authoritative as those of the House of Lords.

Applications could be made for hearings before the FCA either by invoking a similar procedure to that

laid down by the 1969 Act or by means of an application to the Court of Appeal itself. If during a hearing fore the Court of Appeal (three judges) it became apparent that points of principle of sufficient importance were emerging, counsel could apply for, or the Court could tele the initiative in ordering, an adjournment so that the whole matter could be argued before the FCA. Broadly, at least one year would be seved by the introduction of this procedure, that being the usual period of delay between a decision of the Court of Appeal and of the House of Lords.

Yours faithfully, NEVILLE D. VANDYK, 7 Addisland Court, Holland Villas Road, W14. February 8.

From Mr Francis Cruice Goodall Sir, The Appeal Court tried to do justice, illegally. The Lords have done, legally, something "intrinsi-tally repugnant" to anyone involved in the administration of justice. Which course is the more likely to bring the law into contempt?

Yours, etc, FRANCIS GOODALL, 41 Upper Montagu Street, W1. February 8.

Abortion Bill tactics

From Mr R. Rhodes James, MP for Cambridge (Conscruative) Sir, My colleague Mr Anthony Grant (February 11) is not the only member of Parliament who has been on the receiving end of doubtful practices by organized pressure groups in connexion with the Abortion (Amendment) Bill. On the eve of poll at the last

on the eye of poil at the last general election a document was circulated in Cambridge by the Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child urging electors to vote against me on the grounds that (a) I was "a bitter opponent" of any amendment to the 1967 Act. and that (b) I am in favour of "abortion on demand". One of these missives was sent to the conthese missives was sent to the con-vent where one of my daughters

is at school. Both statements are completely untrue. I am in favour of certain improvements to the 1967 Act and have never given any support whatever to the "abortion on demand" lobby. Letters to SPUC seeking an explanation and an apology have not even been acknow-

ledged.

The fact is that both extremes in this complex and highly emotive controversy have resorted to tactics that have been highly counterin coming to my detailed conclusions on desirable changes in the 1967 Act.

Economic decline

From Mr John Wareing Sir, The lesson to be learned from the fact that half of Stalin's senior

Responsibility to next generation

Sir, On behalf of the Social Responsir, On benait of the Social Responsibility Departments of our Churches we wish to express our concern about the growing evidence of the community's failure to provide adequate support for those most economically vulnerable, and especially children

For very many years families with children have financially lost ground. The trend towards the two-earner family has meant that the standard of living not only of single-parent families but of those with young children and a parent at home has been relatively depressed. Public policy has been vacillating, sometimes with useful advances, but often confused, contradictory, and neglectful of the family. Yet the community shares with parents the responsibility for supporting the next generation.

next generation.

We welcome particularly the large net increase in Exchequer support for the family—over £1 billion at 1978 prices—between 1977/8 and 1979/80, as a result of the introduction of child benefit (including benefit for the first child) and the process over \$1.000. phosing out of children's tex allowances. We are concerned, however that the momentum achieved at the time may not be maintained, and that provind may even be lost.

A particular concern is the post-tion of deprived children today. Official figures rell us that nearly bulk a million children live below the poverry line. A further three million children live on or just above the poverty line. Half of all these children belong to families whose narents are in employment At a time of economic uncertainty, every section of society will believe that it should have priority when distributing the scarce resources available. But children represent the

From Miss Mary Towy Evans and future and it is disturbing to think

future and it is disturbing to think that their needs may be overlooked. The occasion of our present concern is the report that child benefits will not be increased this April, and possibly not in November 1980. We believe that adequate child benefits are crucial for all families with children but in particular for low income working families. At a state of high inflation, a failure to increase child benefit will mean that many children will suffer.

Beyond this, a review of the whole confused and inadequate structure

Beyond this, a review of the whole confused and inadequate structure of allowances, subsidies and taxes as they affect families with children is urgently required. A number of voluntary research bodies are already working on this. We would welcome a statement from the Government that it invands to undertake a review of this kind at an early date.

Finally, we are anxious that, at a time of severe restraint of public expenditure, the Government should

expenditure the Government should not lose sight of the need for a corerent social policy. Services as well as benefits affect vulnerable people, and what is given with one hand should not be taken away with the other. Nours faithfully,

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2 Eston Gate, SW1.

The Afghanistan muddle

From Mr B. H. Kamenske Sir, I believe the Voice of America newsroom has been maligned by Robert Fisk in his article on the difficulty of getting at the truth in Afghanistan (February 11). He suggests that VOA is rwisting the news, which is hardly the case. To begin with VOA's own charter proscribes us from doing that. We are required in fact to be

are required, in fact, to he accurate, objective, and compre-fensive " in our news broadcasts. The real problem is the Afghanistan muddle itself and all of us

journalists—your staff and mine are prisoners of it.
In the specific case of the reported fighting at the Bala Hissar fort, we picked up that bit of infor-

mation from two news services, Reuters and Agence-France Presse. They, in turn, were quoting uncon-firmed reports reaching Islamsbad admittedly a circuitous route to

say the least.

On his other point of dismay, whether the Soviet entry into Afghanistan should be called an "invasion" or an "intervention", I suggest that both are out of data, that the most accurate term now is occupation. Sincerely,

B. H. KAMENSKE, Chief Voice of America News Washington, DC.

London's third airport From Mr Michael Brophy

Sir, If the third London airport were to become the first Euro-air-port, it might be bulk in the North See on a size equidistant from Holland, Belgium, France and England. Aircraft would have access soundlessly up and down the Channel. Communications to London would be viz the Thames. The airport would be accessible to seaborne cargo and a rail link would not be

impossible. Apparently, the BEC has pro-posed that part of our £1 billion imbalance might be returned in the form of grants for transport, amongst other frems. Thus our contribution would be relatively painless. The political and emotional unity such a European airport would bring needs no explaining. Yours sincerely,

MICHAEL BROPHY, Rosehill Farm, Isfield, Sussex. January 31.

Abdication poll

From the Editor-in-Chief of Now ! Sir, Lord Clancarty, while being generous in his comments about Now! Magazine, takes us to task (February 12) for commissioning larplan to seek the opinion of the public on whether the Ougen should consider abdicating in favour of

Prince Charles.

As he will be aware from the report, the findings of the survey plainly reflected not any adverse view about the Queen so much as the enormous popularity of the

Prince of Wales.

The results of the poll were in fact quite surprising, Marplan were in the field some time before the public announcement of Queen Juliana's abdication, and their research was part of a general survey on attitudes to the Royal Family. The particular question about whether the Queen should consider at some stage stemping aside for Prince Charles did not seem likely to produce a significaptly different response from those given to similar questions on pre-

rious occasions.

When in the event the number of people favouring such a move turned out to be so overwhelming, the matter became news and we treated it as such. This was an assessment plainly

shared by much of the notably The Times. ANTHONY SHRIMSLEY, Editor-in-Chief,

Now /. 161-189 City Road, ECL February 12.

Justice for heroes

From Professor D. Lasok Sir, In your editorial of February 5 you wrote about the "Poles who died for their defeats". Alas, your memory is short and your judg-ment faulty.

ment faulty.

In the last war they died for their country and for those who, when victory in the common cause was won, handed them over to their tormentor. Had it not been for the betrayal of Poland in 1945 the aggressor would not have been encouraged to prowl further and further away from his lair.

Yours faithfully,
D. LASOK.

D. LASOK, Centre for European Logal Studies, University of Exeter, Amory Building,

Rennes Drive, Exeter.

Question of contempt From Sir David Napley

Sir, When the Attorney General sought a ruling as to whether disclosure from the jury room amounted to contempt of court, the Lord Chief Justice is quoted as having said that an article in the New Statesman recorded a juror "as saying . . . that all the jury were agreed that the accused were guilty of a conspiracy of some kind", but "that 11 of them, after a little more than an hour's deliberation", agreed it was not proved to be a conspiracy it was not proved to be a conspiracy to murder (Law Report, January

This quotation has since appeared in various newspapers, including legal periodicals, presenting that which was alleged to have emanated from one juror as if it was necessarily a factual and accurate account of what transpired. Curaccount of what Panspired. Currently, the issue of Justice of the Peace, describing it as "a disclosure" and without qualifying its authenticity, boldly asserts that all the jury in the Thorpe trial were agreed that the accused were guilty of a conspiracy of some kind. We shall never know whether,

we shall never know whether, were this juror's account subjected to cross-examination and close scrutiny and set against the tested recollections of the remaining jurors it would be shown to be accurate (which the Divisional Court, unhappily, failed to mention).

menton).

We know nothing as to the reliability of the juror in question or even indeed who he is, and a mere statement of a layman that it was thought the defendants were guilty of a conspiracy of some kind carries little weight. It may be palpable nonsense, because under current law the courses of conduct which can give rise to a criminal

conspiracy are limited. The prosecution case in the trial in question alleged only a "con-spiracy to murder". If there had

been reliable evidence of any other criminal conspiracy the prosecution would certainly have charged it. It is open to no one, least of all a garrulous juror or jury, publicly to speculate about other forms of con-spiracy upon which they are neither legally instructed nor informed.

The case in question demonstrates the dangers, hardship and inherent injustice which follow the purported disclosure of jury room deli-berations and requires it to be declared a serious criminal offence for jurors to publish their version of what they believe, from their recollection, transpired over a long or short period of deliberation.

Yours sincerely, DAVID NAPLEY.

Kingsley, Napley and Co, 107-115 Long Acre, WC2. February 11.

Service break From Mr Roger Neill Sir, As your readers will know, Nuneaton lies roughly halfway between Manchester (Piccadilly) and Euston. On a recent train journey the meaning of the name became clear to me, a native of the town. If the first course at lunch has not been served by this point, then the coffee is unlikely to be served before arrival at the terminus.

Yours faithfully, ROGER NEILL, 49 Montpelier Vale, Blackheath, SE3.

Slanging match From Mr George Belbin Sir, I hope Mr Martin van Buuren (February 11) doesn't object to his

old Dutch. Yours faithfully, GEORGE BELBIN. 1 Knightsbridge Green, SWL. February 11.

for industrial action which, if it occurred, would jeopardize the company's very survival. But it No computer evidence

From the President of the Institute of Internal Auditors—UK Sir, The lacuna exposed in the Criminal Evidence Act, 1965, our-lined in your Law Report of January 21, is, with respect, far more serious than either the Court of Appeal or your correspondent of February 5 may appreciate.

Whilst computer-related crimes are undoubtedly on the increase—if are undoubtedly on the increase—if
for no other reason than the vast
spread of computer-related transactions—successful prosecutions of
the new breed of computer criminal
are vartually non-existent. Whilst the
proceeds from computer crime are
very much higher than those from very much higher than those from, say, other classes of fraud, the chances of detection tend to be low and the chances of being convicted

My institute has pointed out, over a number of years, the inadequacy of the law relating to the adduce-ment of technical evidence before a ment of technical evidence before a court and the unpreparedness of both the police and the legal profession to handle this type of case. I doubt whether the police, maionally, have more than three officers who are sware of even the rudineens of computer knowledge in relation to criminal activities (and none are currently under (and none are currently under training) and, even though Scotland Yard has a register of computer experts who could be accorded expert without grants hefore a court these witness status before a court, these are rerely, if ever, called.

In the case referred to in your In the case referred to in your law Report, I am confident that a properly qualified independent expert could have satisfied the court as to the inevitability of the controls which lad as the courter or insout which led to the computer print-out which led to the computer print-out produced in cridence and that the rotes in question could have come from none other than the bundles in an arm that a rotes in question could have come justice, but ne tasted to recognize that the form of twit, as it has the right of the citizen to February 11, technical expert can satisfy a court

the chain of production. Workers in other motor plants are unlikely as to the probability that a spent bullet was fired from a particular gun. There will undoubtedly be other cases in the future where, under the present law, not even this degree of certainty is possible. My Institute has discussed with the police and with legal experts specific cases of known theft—particularly of computer time and computer-hald of computer time and computer-held data-where the thief had benefited to a considerable extent but

which have been deemed "un-prosecutable" under the present The Institute of Internal Auditors The Institute of Internal Auditors and other concerned professional bodies continue to press for a review of the law relating to information held by and the use of computers but equally important it is essential that the law-enforcement and legal professions come to terms with the new technologies and be prepared for what will otherwise become Britain's new growth industry-

crime by computer. Yours faithfully, GRAEME WARD, President, The Institute of Internal Auditors— 65 Portland Place, W1.

By royal command

February 8.

From Lord Fletcher Sir, In his laboured speech on the Sir, in his laboured speech on the subject of changing the writ of summons in the House of Lords on Thursday, February 7, Lord Hailsham explained the part which he played, or did not play, in the activi-cies of the Rules Committee in proposing this controversial change.

Lord Hailsham acquits himself of any wish to undermine the position of the Monarch as the fountain of justice but he failed to recognize

invoke the powers of the Crown to seek a redress for grievances and is the authority for the exercise of judicial powers on behalf of the

This inherent right of the subject to obtain justice in the Queen's Courts is the counterpart of the citizen's duty of allegiance to the

Nor does Lord Haisham deal with the other charges made against him and the Rules Committee. Why was the Law Society not consulted before the new rules were promulgated? Why was the heavy threat of the Official Secrets Act made to stifle publicity and produce the resignation of a much respected Chief Chancery Master?

Why were the two soficitors on

Why were the two solicitors on the Rules Committee prevented from reporting the proposels of the Rules Committee to the Law Society? What was the object of this "hole and corner" procedure? The proposed change cannot be justified on its merits. This subject was considered by the Eversbed Committee on Supreme Court practice and procedure. That committee, on which I had the honour to serve, together with three High Court Judges, a future Lord Chancellor (Lord Gardiner) and others including the late Professor Goodhart and

ing the rate professor Goodhart and Geoffrey Crowther, reported unani-mously (paragraph 82) that "The old and well-known formula of the Queen's Writ should be retained". Now that, thanks to the initiative of Lord Mishcon in raising the matter in the House of Lords, Lord Heilsham has graciously agreed to reconvene the Rules Committee, I endorse his hone that the discussion will be carried on through the Law Journal and in your columns before any alterations become operative. Yours truly,

productive to their causes. Organized letters, petitions, and mass lobbies do not impress MPs. In marked contrast, I have received a very considerable number of thoughtful, sincere. and well-informed letters from my constituents—and particularly from members of the medical profession—which have been valuable to me in coming to my detailed conclusion.

This is the way to affect and influence members of Parliament. I am, Sir, your obedient servant, ROBERT RHODES JAMES,

establishment were scientists and engineers is not necessarily the one suggested by Major-General Moore (February 6).
Yours faithfully, JOHN WAREING, 74 Chester Drive, Harrow. Middlesex.



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE February 12: The Queen held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace

The Right Reverend John Bickersteth (Bishop of Bath and Wells) had the honour of being received by Her Majesty upon his appointment as Clerk of the Closet to The Queen.

The Right Hon Margaret

The Right Hon Margaret Thatcher, MP (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury) had an audience of Her Majesty this

an audience of her majesty this evening.

The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by Captain Adrian Wray, RM, arrived at Heathrow Airport-London this evening in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight from Norway

His Royal Highness, Patron of the Licensed Victualiers' National Homes, attended the "Change of Keys" dinner at the Connaught Rooms, London, WC2.

Mr Richard Davies was in at-The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, visited Duchy property in Avon today.

The Hon Mary Morrison has succeeded the Lady Susan Hussey as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

CLARENCE HOUSE CLARENCE HOUSE
February 12: Queen Elizabeth
The Queen Mother this evening
honoured the Speaker of the
House of Commons (the Right
Hon George Thomas, MP) with
her presence at Dinner at

her presence at biline as Speaker's House.
Ruth. Lady Fermoy and Sir Martin Gilliat were in attendance.
Ruth. Lady Fermoy bas succeeded the Hon Mrs John Mulholland as Lady-in-Waiting to Her

KENSINGTON PALACE
February 12: Princess Alice.
Duchess of Gloucester, received
Air Commodore P. J. Tamblin on
relinquishing her appointment as
Director Women's Royal Air
Force and Air Commodore H. F.
Renton on assuming the appointment

Reaton on assuming the appointment.

The Duke of Gloucester opened the Conference "How to Profit from Timber Frame Today!", sponsored by the British Woodworking Federation, at The Cavendish Conference Centre, London W1 this morning.

Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
February 12: The Duchess of
Kent, Controller Commandant of
the Women's Royal Army Corps,
today attended the Director's
Annual Conference at the
Ministry of Defence, Whiteball.
Mrs Alan Henderson was in
stiendance.

Birthdays today

Sir Hubert Ashton, 82; Lieuten-sm-General Sir Roger Bower, 77; Eurl Cadogan, 66; Professor Dame Helen Gardner, 72; Colonel Sir Douglas Glover, 72; Sir Neville Pearson, 82; Mr John Peyton, MP, 61; Mr Francis Pym, MP, 58; M Georges Simenon, 77; Pro-fessor Lord Stamp, 73.

Today's engagements The Queen accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh opens The Vikings Exhibition, British Museum, 3.

of Royal Society of Arts president of Royal Society of Arts presides at meetings of the Committee for the Environment, Buckingham Palace, 10.30.

The Prince of Wales attends, as principal speaker, annual banquet of Bristol Chamber of Committee of Committee

erce, Grand Hotel, Bristol,

7.30. he Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, accompanied by Captain Mark Phillips, present Carl-Alan Awards, Lyceum, 8.

Awards, Lyceum, 8.
Princess Margaret, as Patron of
the Migraine Trust attends reception to mark the transfer of
the Princess Margaret Migraine
Clinic to the hospital, Charing
Cross Hospital, 5.45.
The Duke of Edinburgh, as Colonel
visits the 1st Battalion Scots
Guards during training at Lydd,
10.

10.
Exhibitions: Sir Thomas Lawrence, National Portrait Gallery Annexe, 15 Carlton House Tertace, 10-5. "Second Sight", National Gallery, Trafalgar Square, 10-6.
Poetry: John Julius Norwich reads, St. Lawrence Jewry, Gresham Street, 1.15; Poetry round: independent open meet-

Gresnam Street, 1.15; roctry round: independent open meeting for reading and discussion. National Poetry Centre, 21 Earls Court Square, 8.15. Sectures: "Bioenergetics: key molecules, macromolecules and vegetation" by Mrs Joy Etherington, Polytechnic of North London Mailbrough Building

Ington, Polytechnic of North London, Marborough Building, 333 Holloway Road, 6.30; Lunchtime music: Norman Beedle, piano, St Olave, 1.05; "Great organ music" introduced by Richard Townend, St Margaret Lothbury, 1.10; organ recital by Scott Nelson, St Bride's, 1.15; William Howard, piano, Holy Sepulchre, Mary Hilller, Piano, St Martin-withir-Ludgate, 1.15. Walk: "Crime and Punishment—Simister London" meet St Paul's Underground, 7.30.

Mcmorial Service: Sir John Hewitt, Queen's Chapel of the Savoy, noon.

Mr C. A. Settle, QC
A memorial service for Mr
Charles Settle, QC, was held yesterday at the Temple Church. The
Master officiated and the lesson
was read by Lord Justice Roskill.
Treasurer of the Middle Temple.
Among those present were:
Mrs Settle (widow). Mr and Mrs Derset
Baxter (son-in-law and daughter). Mr
and Mrs Jonathan Hill (siep-grandchildren).
Lord Salmon. Sir John Arnote
(President of the Family Division)
Sir Robert Megarry (Vice-Chanceller nt
the Charcey Division). Lady Roskill.
Lord Justice and Lady Roskill.
Battle, Lord Justice
Templemen. Sir David Cairns, the Hon
Ewen Montagu. QC. Sir Donis Dobson.
QC. Sir Kenneth Barraclough. Str

Navy leads Mardi Gras parade in New Orleans

A Royal Marines band, a colour party and about 50 Royal Navy officers and radings from the antisubmarine/Commando carrier, HMS Hermes, will lead this year's Mardi Gras parades through the streets of New Orleans from to-

Latest pamphlets

nature, and what appears to be

ravenous appetites judging by the

succession of gargantuan meals she describes. It was a comfortable existence, cushioned from such harsher realities as the Great Depression of the 1930s by which her immediate circle of family and friends were unaffected.

Her account, which adds a useful contribution to local social his-

tory, ends with her marriage in 1939, five months before the out-break of war. The tenns courts

then became allotments : more sig-

Forthcoming marriages

Mr D. H. Enion and Miss S. D. Newsom Davis

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs E. H. Enion, of Cranleigh, Westwood Avenue. Ferndown, Dorset, and Sally, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs L. H. Newsom Davis, of Berrywood, Heyshott, Midhurst, Sussex. Captain J. C. M. Mellor and Miss R. A. D. Hall

Mr P. J. Fudakowski and Miss H. A. Williams

The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr and Mrs W. J. Fudakowski, of Kingston upon Thames, and Henrietta Ann (Minette), elder daughter of Mr and Mrs A. J. Williams. of Salehurst, Sussex, and HM Embassy, Buenos Aires.

Mr A. Gregg and Miss C. Greig

The engagement is announced and Engagement is amnounced between Andrew, eldest son of Dr and Mrs D. I. Gregg, of 25 Drax Avenue, Wimbledon, and Charlotte, twin daughter of Lieut-Commander and Mrs Philip Greig, of Bridge Farm, Hannington Wick, Swindon, Willmilte.

Mr E. Hold and Miss B. Waite

The engagement is announced between Edward, son of the late Jeremy Holt and Mrs R. A. Cobbold, of Holbrook Lodge, Ipswich, Suffolk, and Belinda, daughter of Mr and Mrs W. E. Waite, of The Mill House, Frensham, Surrey. Luncheon

Building Societies Association
The President of The Building
Societies Association, the Earl of
Selkirk, QC, gave a luncheon party
at 14 Park Street, London, WI,
yesterday. The joint hosts were
Mr Leonard Williams, chairman,
Mr N. E. Griggs, secretary-general,
Mr F. P. Dilkes and Mr R. C.
Stow. The guests were Mr P. J. F.
Green, Mr Frithjof Jacobson, Lord
Houghton of Sowerby, Mr T. H. P.
Lovell and Mr Ian Trethowan.

Dinners

Speaker Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother was present at a dinner given by the Speaker of the House of Commons in Speaker's House of Commons in Speaker's House yesterday, Other guests were:

The Prime Minister, Ruth Lady Formay, Sir Ian Gilmour, MP, Mr, Mrmans St. John-Stevas, MP, Mr Michael Foot, MP, Mr Aribut Bottomicy, MP, Sir Marthur Bottomicy, MP, Sir Marthur Gilliet, Mr Brant Goding Irvine, MP, Mr James Motyneoux, MP, Mr James Motyneoux, MP, Mr James Hamilton, MP, Mr Cyril Smith, MP, and Mr John Home Robertson, MP, Lady Mizvoress

By Kenneth Gosling
Arts Reporter
The Vikings exhibition at the
British Museum, which the Queen
opens today, is likely to go a long
way towards repairing their reputation for brutality.
Standing among the showcases
at the press view yesterday. Mr
David M. Wilson, director of the
museum and a leading authority on
the Vikings, said: "Certainly they
were pretty brutal characters and
some of the weapons here show
that reasonably well.
"What we show here is what
they were like in the round, not

they were like in the round, not just as rapists and robbers but demonstrating that they had con-siderable taste and considerable

flair in cultural life. As for this

Latest appointments

Defence Procurement

Mr C. C. Fielding has been appointed Deputy Chief of Defence Procurement (Nuclear)/Director Atomic Wespons Research Establishment from March

Other appointments include : Lord Leverbuime to be Chancellor

Mr J. H. Lawrie
A musical tribute was paid to the
life and work of Mr James Lawrie
yesterday at the Lyric Theatre,
Hammersmith. Mr Anthony Smith
sang from "An die Musik", by
Schubert. Mr Roger Vignoies
played Nocturne No 4 in A Major,
by Field, Prelude No 4 in D
major Op 23, by Rachmaninoff,
Fantasiestfike Op 12, "Des
Abends", by Schumann, and
Ragtime Dance, 1906, by Scott
Joplin. Sir Peter Pears sang
"Before Life and After", by
Thomas Hardy, to Winter Words
Op 52, by Britten. Miss Julia
Goss sang "Ave Maria", from
Ocello, by Verdi, accompanied by

Goss sang "Ave Maria", from Otello, by Verdi, accompanied by Mr David Mackie, Mr Meston Reid, Mr James Couroy-Ward and Mr John Ayldon and Miss Julia Goss sang from Iolanthe and HMS Pinafore, by Gilbert and Sullivan. Among others present were:

The Hon Mrs Henry O'Brien, Mr and Mrs Horold Lawree, Mr Borothy Carr, Mr G. Laurence Harbottle, Mr J. Marc Sheldon.

Memorial services

Tennis parties in the Great Depression

between the wars ". Mrs Whiteing Sutton Libraries and Art Services,

nificantly, life in that small corner provide housing for the workers

Anyone for Fennis? By Eileen of Surrey in which Mrs Whiteing and their families: a self-sufficient was brought up was never to be was brought up was never to be community of houses built on a pattern of intersecting streets and

between the wars ". Mrs Whiteing recalls life in middle-class subur-

ban Surrey of detached houses Sutton Surrey. 12.95 (postage with their own tennis courts, pleasures of a more sophisticated nature and what appears to be

Tratford Park, 1896-1936. Com-plied by David Russell and George Walker. Another totally different

way of life is recalled here. Traf-ford Pork, Manchester, up to 1896 had consisted of 1,200 acres of

woods, gardens, lakes and the ancestral home of the de Trafford

oped as a vast industrial estate with rail links to the main lines and to the Manchester Ship Canal. family. Then it was sold and devel-

The residential area was built to .

Mr C. A. Settle, QC

Deputy Chief of

Mr J. H. Lawrie

The marriage will take place on February 23 between John, son of Mr and Mrs William Tauzer, of Whiteoaks, Sandy Lane, Kingswood, Surrey, and Suzanne, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. W. Coates, of 5 Grange Street, Barnoldswick, Lancashire, guests at dinner at the Mansion House last night:

hir James Callaghan, MP and Mrs Callaghan, the High Saril! of Solop and Mrs W. R. Kenron-Slancy, the Shoriff of Borwick-on-Iweed and Mrs Edward Armsbrong, Field Marshal Str. Coolfrey and Lady Baker, Mr Justice and Lady Bristow, the Town Clerk and Mrs S., Clayton, Mr and Mrs Walls G. G. Hunt and Mr and Mrs R. M. Minowalds.

Mr E. T. King

Lancaster.

Buckinghamshire.

Mr A. E. Stamation

Mr J. B. C. Tanzer

and Miss S. Coates

and Miss A. D. Caroussis

The engagement is announced

between Andreas, only son of Mr and Mrs Emmanuel A. Stamation,

of 4 Ithakis Street, Athens 812, Greece, and Anna, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Demetrios

C. Caroussis, of 15 Elm Avenue, London W5 3XA.

and Miss G. H. Garnett

National Liberal Club The board of directors of the National Liberal Club gave a dinner last night for Mr David Steel, MP. Mr Lawrence Robson presided and Baroness Robson of Kiddington was among those present.

Mount St Mary's College
The annual dinner of the London
Old Mountaineers was held at Law
Society's Hall yesterday. Mr James
Catterall was in the chair and the
Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster was the guest of honour.
Others present included the Headmaster and the Rector of Mount
St Mary's College and the Provincial of the Society of Jesus.

Women's Advertising Club of Lady Mayoress
The Lord Mayor and the Lady
Mayoress entertained the following
Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede,
Chairman of the London Tourist

business about rape, this is one of the real legends and there is not

much written evidence about it.
They certainly used women as concubines and they were leading
slave traders."

Three quarters of the exhibits

Three quarters of the exhibits come from Scandinavian sources and large numbers of Scandinavians have been booking parties. Between now and July, when it will be dismanted before opening at the Metropolitan Museum, New York, in the Autums, the exhibition is expected to be seen by \$500.000 people.

At a rate of 2,000 a day the museum can cope quite easily. " I hope we do not have too many queues", Mr Wilson said.

of Liverpool University, sabject to the approval of the Queen as Visitor.

Lord Armstrong of Sanderstead

to succeed Lord Franks as chairman of the Wellcome Trust as from next January 1.

Mr David Pountney to be the English National Opera's director of productions from July, 1982.

Mr L L. Buchanan, senior lecturer in the department of economics at Dundee University, to be chairman of the London Transport Wages Board.

Briah MacKenna, Sie William and Lade Maldeleu. Dana Fra Thraer. Lady Maldeleu. Dana Bridgel D'Oydy Carte Rumbold. Die Bridgel D'Oydy Carte Mandeleu. Dana Bridgel D'Oydy Carte Mandeleu. Marchan March

These photographs and recollections of what life there was like, brought together in an excellently produced bookler, provide an important record of an area disappearing in the wake of factory development.

Manchester City Council (Man-

chester Studies), Manchester

Polytechnic, Hilton House, Hilton

Street. Manchester, £1 (including

development.

Viking craftsmanship on show

500,000 people.

to succeed Lord



Garden, who was knighted in the New Year Honours, photographed outside Buckingham Palace yesterday after an investiture. He is accompanied by his wife Shamsi and sons Kaylus (left) and Kurash.

Board, was the guest speaker at a dinner given by the Women's Advertising Club of London at the Savoy Hotel last night. Mrs M. Green, president of the club, was in the chair. Company of Mercers, Grocers and

Haberdashers of Richmond, North Yorkshire The Lord Lieutenant of North Yorkshire arended the 400th annual dinner of the Company of Mercers, Grocers and Haber-dashers of Richmond, North York-

stainers of Kirkmond, North York-shire, held at the King's Head Hotel, Richmond yesterday. The Warden, Mr D. H. Waldie, pre-sided and the other speakers were, the Earl of Ronaldshay, Mr W. H. R. Burtt and Mr A. L. Vickers.

Vickers.

Tin Plate Workers' Company
A Court dinner of the Company
of Tin Plate Workers alias Wire
Workers was held at Tallow
Chandlers' Hall yesterday. The
Master, Mr Mortimer Silverman,
presided assisted by the Wardens,
Lord Chelmer and Mr Brian
Pitchford. The Master, Mr Pitchford and Mr Alderman Anthony S.
Jolliffee were the speakers.

It was three years in the planning. When Mr Wison joined the museum as its director three years ago he wanted to stage such an exhibition. When he was approached by The Sunday Times one of the Co-Sponsors

Times, one of the co-sponsors with SAS and the Metropolitan Museum, the project was born. It has cost between £250,000 and £500,000 to put on.

The exhibition is open until

July 20; 10 am to 5 pm on week-

Admission is £1.40 for adults, 70p

for children, old age pensioners and students. Evening visits can be booked at a charge of £2.50 through 01-723 1634.

By the Staff of Nature One big hurdle in research on the natural anti-viral protein inter-

feron has been overcome by a recent leap forward in techniques

recent icap forward in sechaques for analysing proteins.

Interferon is a protein produced by cells in response to infection by viruses. Not only does it help to prevent the spread of viral infection, but it can suppress the growth of cells, and has therefore also attracted attention

as a possible weapon against the malignant growth of cancer cells. However, both the understand-

ing of the activities of the molecule and the adequate testing of its potential have been hampered by difficulties in getting hold of more than tiny quantities

American scientists now report

American scientists now report a new method for analysing proteins in quantities of one-hundred-thousandth of a gram, which may help them eventually to resolve both difficulties.

Their achievement follows close on the heels of a report from biologists in Switzerland who have used generic manifesticants.

logists in Switzerian who have used genetic manipulation to get bacteria to produce inerferon. They hope eventually to produce large quantities of the protein in that way.

But so far the quantities produced by bacteria are even smaller than those produced maturally by

than those produced naturally by cultured cells. Meanwhile the American ream has overcome ar least one of the difficulties caused

by the scarcity of the protein. The aim of their research is to define precisely the chemical com-

J. B. Morbot - Under Treasurer, Middle Temple, and Mrs Morwon.

Mrs G. Howard

A memorial service for Mrs
Greville Howard was held at
Beaulieu Abbev church on Saturday. The Rev Kenneth Davis officiated, assisted by Canon John
Hayter and the Rev D. W. A.
Stride. The lessons were read by
Lord Montagu of Beaulieu and Mr
Ernest Francis. Among those present were:

Sent were:

In Grecitie Howard (husband), Ser John and the Hon Lady Chichester parents), Mr James Chichester and Mr Jollan Chichester and Mrs David Moore-Gavn (brother-la-kw and sister), Mr and Mrs Christopher McKwen (brother-la-kw and sister), Mrs Goopping Chichester (alster), the Hon Mrs Chward Picyslen)

The Royal Meeting at Ascot will

take place on June 17, 18, 19 and

20. Applications for admission to

the Royal Ascot Euclosure should

be made to Her Majesty's Repre-

sentative, Ascot Office, St James's

Palace. London, SW1, between

January 1 and April 30. Applicants

should apply only for members of

their family, status, their full names and their ages if they are

between 16 and 25 years of age.

Children under 15 are not ad-

mitted except on the Friday, when

adults with badges may bring

children of 10 to 15 years, for

whom no prior application need be New applicants will be sent a

New applicants will be sent a form to have signed by a sponsor whose name is already on the Royal Enclosure list. Visitors from overseas should apply to their ambassador or high commissioner. In the enclosure ladies will wear formal day dress with hars, and recording dress or Ser-

Mrs G. Howard

Royal Ascot

at a time.

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Fine early venetian glass sold to German dealer

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent
One of the finest examples of
early Venetian glass to be seen
recently around the London aucrion rooms secured a bid of £11,000
(estimate £4,000 to £5,000) from
Heide Hübnor, a leading German
glass dealer, at Christie's yesterday.

Heide Hübnar, a leading German glass dealer, at Christie's yeşterday.

The plate is about a foot in diameter and dates from the third quarter of the sixteenth century. Its decoration incorporates the most attractive techniques used at that period. There are three bands of grandular gilding, each edged with a white lattimo thread; between and outside those golden bands is crisp diamond-point engraving. The diamond-point engraving. The diamond-point ordenent includes winger satyrs holding cornucopia, eagles perched on swags of flowers suspended from lious masks and tied ribbons.

The sale of English and continental glass attracted compertitive bidding with a total of £74,839 and 2 per cent unsold. Hübner also spent £5,800 (estimate £3,500 to £4,500) on a Nuremberg engraved goblet and cover of about 1680; a complete piece in good condition.

A blue goblat and cover of about 1680; a complete piece in good condition. A blue goblat and cover substantially cracked and damaged but superbly engraved with a hunting scene in the manner of Herman Schwinger, also dating from about 1680, made £1,000 (estimate £800 to £1,200).

The Manchester City Art Gallery came down to purchase a remark-

The Manchester City Art Gallery came down to purchase a remarkcame down to purchase a remarkable early Victorian piece of art glassmaking, an eviform vase from the A. J. F. Christy Lambett glassworks. It is painted with a band of white and yellow flower heads above a frieze of tall green leaves. The design was made by Richard Redgrave, the distinguished genre painter, for the Summerly Art Manufacturers. It

Science report

Biochemistry: Anti-virus protein

are strung together determines the activity of the protein.

Dr Hunkapillar, Dr Hood and their collaborators have analysed

the first 20 amino acids of two kinds of human interferon, and, with Dr Hidefraru Taira and his colleagues at Yale University, two kinds of interferon from mice.

position of interferon and examine cells, or leukocytes, which are how its chemistry determines its part of the immune system. The activity.

date 1847. The price was £420 (estimate £100 to £150).

Phillips were taken by surprise by the huge prices bid yesterday for works of art in their mixed furniture and decorative arts sale. An eighteenth-century ivory carving of Christ at the column made £5 200. Estimate £500. An eighteenth-century ivory carving of Christ at the column made £6,200 (estimate £800). It stands 32cm high and comes from Bavaria. A pair of elegantly carved early nineteenth-century French ivory candlesticks, made £6,000 (estimate £1,500) to Hogg, Koopman paid £6,000 (estimate £2,000 to £3,000) for an elaborate Victorian silver gilt, rock crystal and enamel dish in High Rensissance style. The sale totalled £171,930 with \$ per cent unsold. In Paris yesterday a Bondu sale saw a top price for an Art Deco lamp. The lamp stand, about £6thigh is in the form of a gilt brottze serpent and designed by Brand; the lampshade is in Daum glass. The price was 121,000 france or £12,914.

In contrast to Christie's sale the day before, Sotherby's auction of Chinese works of art and Qing ceramics yesterday met strong bidding for relatively minor offerings. The sale totalled £4,009 with 2 per cent unsold. The top price was £740 for a set of three Kangxi Imari flasks, 11in high (estimate £200 to £300). There were bidders from many European countries.

Christie's two-session sale of

feron, is made by other cells in

strain and were maintained throughout, the period of rapid change which followed the indevisit became a triumphal tour, beginning in Madras and con-tinuing with gatherings of pendence of Indis.

During those times Dr Boyd showed his remarkable gifts of former students in the major cities of India. After his return to Glasgow his home there con-tinued to be a place of pigri-mage for old students and their families.

OBITUARY

1896, Dr Boyd studied at Glas-

gow University after service in

the Royal Navy during the First World War. He graduated in Classics and Theology and was

appointed Professor of English

by the Governing Board of the

Madras Christian College. Two. years later be was confirmed in

that appointment as a mission-ary of the United Free Church

of Scotland which was soon to

unite with the Church of Scot-

land to form the present Church

His life was given without stint to the Madras Christian

College for 31 years, for the last 18 years as Principal India

was his choice and the quite re-markable attachment of his

students was his reward. In 1930 he was entrusted with

the task of raising funds in Great Britain for the transfer

of the college, at the time of its centenary, from the city centre to a new 400 acre site at Tam-

to a new 400 acre site at Tambaram on the outskirts. It was here that his gifts of organization and administration were first evident. On the new campus the Scottish connexion, already extended by Congregationalists and Methodists, was enlarged to include the Anglican tradition, so that the Madras Christian College, during his principalship, played no small

principalship, played no small part in preparing the ground for the union of the Church of South India in 1947.

South India in 1947.

The war years, coinciding with the beginning of his principalship, were a particularly testing time, on account of political tensions which disrupted many centres of higher education. These tensions were no less felt on the campus at Tambaram, but the good relationships established between the staff and students withstood the strain and were maintained

of Scotland.

REV DR A. J. BOYD

Life of service to Madras

The Rev Dr Alexander John
Boyd, OBE, died in hospital in
Glasgow on January 28.

Born in Govan; Glasgow, in
Boyd, OBE, Dr. Boyd, OBE, died in hospital in achieve outstanding success both in scholarship and on the sports field.

Christian College

His gifts of administration were valued in the wider field of the University of Madras

where his guidance was sought by successive Vice Chancellors.

He also served the cause of education as Chairman of the Cen-tral Board of Higher Education of the National Christian Coun-

cil, but he never lost the per-

sonal concern for individuals. It

was not unusual to see him,

after a long day in the senate house of the University, quietly slipping into a Hall of Resi-

dence to visit an individual student whom he knew to be in trouble. As Principal he made

a point of teaching the 1st Year

a point of teaching the 1st Year English class, the largest class in the college, so that he might better know the youngest stu-dents one by one. His Principal-ship of 18 years was remarkable for his gifts of administration but even more remarkable was his wonderful memory for indi-vidual students and the range

vidual students and the range and reality of his friendships

with them, rewarded by their loyalty and affection.

After his retirement he taught for a year at Duke University, South Carolina, and also served

South Carolina, and also served for a time as Chaplain to Glasgow University. In 1961 he was invited by the trustees to give the Warrack Lectures, later published under the fille Christian Encounter, a discussion centred on Hindu India. Boyd also undertook a number of short ministries during conversational recursions including

gregational vacancies, including a period at Glasgow Cathedral.

Glasgow University who made him an honorary Doctor of Divinity in 1945 and he was appointed OBE in the Birthday

Honours in 1956.

His gifts were recognized by

Ten years after his retirement

he was invited on a return visit to India as a guest of the Col-lege and his old students. The

sympathy, humour and under-standing, while never relaxing the necessary standard of dis-cipline. Under his leadership Dr Edwin Cecil Roberson, physicist, civil servant, author and science writer, died on

ean countries. Christie's two-session sale decorative prints made £86,738 with 5 per cent unsold. A group of stipple engravings, after Subbs, sold for shout 50,000 results.

honours in chemistry with general physics as a subsidiary subject from the Regent Street Polytechnic in 1933. He began his working career as an industrial subject from the subject from the Regent Street Polytechnic in 1933.

January 29 at the age of 67.
Paul Roberson, as he was always known, was educated at University College School, Hampstead, before gaining a bachelor of science degree with sold for about £1,000, roughly doubling expectations. Most were bought by Fritz-Denneville, the London dealer, including a portrait of the racehorse "Baronet" of 1794 at £1,100. trial chemist on projects to improve paints, ice cream and lighting gas burners.

He was commissioned in the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve and in 1942 was attached to the Admiralty team chosen to work on the development of weapons for the Service Ministeries. A thesis based on his contribution to Sir Barnes Wallis's "bouncing bomb" pro-ject and to the rocket decelerated parachute used by the Army to drop supplies into Arnhem, gained him a doctorate in physics from the Faculty of Science, London University

While preparing his thesis, Paul Roberson was lent to the Ministry of Supply's National Gas Turbine Establishment to do theoretical and practical studies with Sir Frank Whitle on the gas turbine as an energy source and subsequently on its development for industrial applications.

His many contributions to scientific literature began in 1956 when he was appointed to head the science writers sec-tion of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority. As and two sons.

DR E. C. ROBERSON principal scientific officer his responsibilities spanned con-sultation with eminent scientists concerned with the development

of the peaceful uses of atomic energy and the need to estab-lish an understanding of their work in nuclear reconologies with the general public.
After a brief return to industry between 1959 and 1961, he rejoined the Civil Service as science correspondent with the Central Office of Information. This was followed by senior assignments in the information divisions of the Ministry of Aviation and the Department

of Education and Science. He retired from the Civil Service in 1972 but continued work as a treatence science

writer until he was appointed editor of Glass, a post he held until his death. A prolific author for the "Now" and "The True Book" series on topics ranging from atoms to rocket morors, Paul Roberson's personal interest was contributing to technical

literature for young people. An introduction to one of six such hooks, A Matter of Mass published in 1971 expressed his own approach to science—
"When you look around you at things, people and animals, do you ever wonder what they are all made of?" This search for answers and simply expressed explanation was also pre-dominant in many of the publications he wrote for further education courses and for radio including On Course and Project.

He leaves a widow, Peggy,

feron, is made by other cells in the body. Both interferons have anti-viral effects, but they differ somewhat in other ways. For example, leukocyte interferon also recruits cells in the immune system. The American biochemists have discovered that those differences are reflected in the composition of the fragments of protein they have so far analyzed. Human leukocyte interferon is very similar to the equivalent molecule from mice: 13 of the first 20 amino acids are identical. The fibroblast molecules of mice cule to be synthesised artificially, even if its composition were known (hence the interest in getting bacteris to manufacture it). But if it should turn out that its different activities were due to different parts of the molecule, it might just be possible to synthesise the separate active parts. be possible to synthesise the separate active parts. So far, the work, which is a collaborative effort on the part of Dr Michael Hunkapillar and Dr Leroy Hood at the California Institute of Technology with Dr E. Knight and his colleagues at E. I. duPout de Nemours and Co, and Dr Kathrya Zoon and Dr Christian Anfinsen and their colleagues at

The fibroblast molecules of mice and man are also similar. But there are substantial differences Anfinsen and their colleagues at the United States National Insti-tutes of Health, is at a very early there are substantial differences between the leukocyte interferon and the fibrobiast protein.

Any conclusion drawn from such fragmentary data must be tentative, but it is highly probable that the similarities in the mouse and human interferon represent the preservation in evolution of amino acids conferring impropriet The interferon molecule. like all other proteins, is a string of chemical subunits known as amino acids. There are 20 amino acids to animal proteins, and the sequence in which the different amino acids are strung topeshor degraphing the

preservation in evolution of amino acids conferring important properties on the proteins.

Similary, the chemical differences between fibroblast and leukocyte interferon may underlie the differences in their activities.

An understanding of the differences between interferon molecules will put clinical trials, which are already under way, on a moch

are already under way, on a more rational basis.

Source Science, February 1980 (vol. 207, p. 523, 525, 527 and 528).

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The two kinds of interferon come from different kinds of cell. One, known as leukocyte interferon, is made by white blond

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Dances and cocktail parties, 1980

cocktail parties arranged to take place before the end of 1980 will place before the end of 1980 will be revised and repeated on June 2. The charge for inclusion in one list will be £10 and in two lists £14. Inquiries should be made to Court and Social Advertising, The Times. PO Box 7, New Printing House Square, Gray's Inn Road, London, WCIX 8EZ (telephone 01-837 1234, ext 7363).

Mr Pym to visit Berlin Mr Francis Pym, Secretary of State for Defence, will visit units of the British Carrison in Berlin on February 25 and 26.

Latest wills

Latest estates include (net, before tax paid: tax not disclosed):
Erereton, Mrs Mildred Mary, of Hunstanton, Norfolk ... £170,972 Brereton, Mrs Mildred Mary, or Paikuer, thusstanton, Norfolk, ... £170,972 shout Collen, Mr John Alexander, of Linton, Cambridgeshire, farmer £132,931 grower

25 years ago From The Times of Saturday, A list of some of the dances and Horror comics

The text is published of the Government's Bill to deal with horror comics, a phrase that is at once graphic and (like many points in this many points in graphic and (like many points in this particular controversy) only very loosely definable. The trade in the presentation of "sadism, crime, lust, physical monstrosity and horror" to young minds is utterly abhorrent and now flourishes on a perflous scale. That it must be combated is not in doubt. The only question is in doubt. The only question is how. There were good reasons for doubting whether legislation was the best way to adopt in the first

MAJ-GEN SIR WILLIAM ABRAHAM

G.R.B. writes: On leaving the Army in 1945 he returned to the Burmah Oil Major-General Sir William Company where he became managing director until his re-

Major-teneral Sir William Abraham, who died on February 6 at the age of 82, spent his professional career from 1920 to 1937 with the Burmah Oil Company, principally as a geologist-On the outbreak of war in 1939 he was working at the com-pany's head office in London. In May 1940 he was asked by the War Office to advise on the situation that was developing in France. He was allowed by his firm to join the Army and was gazetted as a Second Lieu-tenant in the Royal Engineers. It is interesting to note that some three years previous he had commanded a Battalion of the Burma Auxiliary Force as a Lieutenant-Colonel.

After attending a senior War Course in the same year, in company with a number of senior officers, including General Alexander, who was then a Corps Commander, he was posted to the Staff of General Wavell to assist with Staff appointments in the Middle East, Tunisia (where he ches and made CBE in 1942), Sicily and Burma. He ended the war as a major-general having been appointed Controller General of Military Economy in India.

member of the Restrictive Practices Court from 1961 to 1970 and a member of the British Transport Consultative Com-It is probable that "WEVA," as he was known to everyone the was William Ernest Victor Abraham) will best be remem-bered for his interest in and dedication to the Burma Star

Association. He became char-man in January 1966 and was knighted for his services to the association in 1977 when he was elected a life vice-president on handing over to his successor. His enthusiasm and all that he had done for the association was summed up by the late Earl Mountbarren, the parron, who wrote at the time: "Under his wise leadership and inspiration we have seen our associa-General Wavell to assist with the withdrawal of troops from Crete. Rapid promotion followed during his subsequent Staff appointments in the Middle East Tunisia (where he of sitting back on his laurels, was twice Mentioned in Despathe he has worked to turn over a vigorous and growing organization to his successor.'

He will be remembered with affection and will be greatly missed by a multitude of friends.

LORD HENNIKER

Lord Henniker died on February 9 at the age of 97.
The sixth and youngest son The sixth and youngest son of the fifth Baron Henniker, he was born on January 18, 1883 and from 1895 to 1899 was a Page of Honour to Queen Victoria. He was educated at Radley and the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester where he took an honours diploma. A pracrising land agent for many

W. D. Mackenzie at Henley-on-Thames; for Sir Percy Loraine's

Couch, Mr Arthur Percy, of Weston-super-Mare ...£132,825
Dixon, Mrs Agnes, of Ramsbury, Wiltshire ...£215,274
Falkner, Mr Cecli Arthur, of Ox. short ...£138,357
Reedman, Mr Walter Ernest, of Upwell, Cambridgesbire, fruit grower ...£145,541

toria He was educated at Radiey and the Royal Agricultural to the family knowns on the death of his brother in 1956.

He married in 1914, Molly, vounger daughter of Sir Robert send Agents' Society and had been agent for Lord Mostyn's john Henniker-Major, KCMG estates in North Wales; for succeeds His wife died in 1953.

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IN BRIEF

Commodity chief hoping to extend **US** powers

Mr James Stone, head of the Commodities Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) arrives in London from America tonight for three days of meetings with officials at the Bank of England, the Department of Trade and the London exchanges.

The commission is likely to

and the Loudon exchanges.

The commission is likely to consider a proposal for a new regulation on February 26 that would state that if a broker or trader refused to identify the owner of contracts on United States markets, when the CFTC requested identification, then the contracts would be automatically liquidated.

The CFTC has the power to

The CFTC has the power to obtain such information from American brokers and traders, but not from foreign traders.

Ceramics shuns bid

Ceramics Investments will not be making a counter bid for Armitage Shanks, the sanitary were manufacturer which has received a £33m offer from Blue Circle Industries. Carmics has Circle Industries. Ceramics has a 25 per cent stake in Armitage and repeated that Blue Circle's share and cash offer was in-

£67m GEC deal

Companies in the GEC group are supplying traction and electrical equipment worth about 167m for the next stage of the Hong Kong Mass Transit Railway. In the first stage, in augurated yesterday, GEC's business totalled about £38m.

Building competition

Britain's private contractors are to be given the opportunity to tender for big local authority projects, Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor yesterday told the Electrical Contractors Association in Lordon. He said the Local Government Bill would give privtee contractors the chance to compete with councils' own direct labour organiza-

Shale oil tender

British Petroleum is one of a consortium of three companies including Conzinc Riotinto Australia, part of Rio Tinto-Zinc and Broken Hill Proprietary, which has put in a tender to develop a possible 5,000 million barrels of shale oil in the Rundle area of Queensland, Australia. The BP consortium is competing with Esso and a Japanese group to develop the deposit which could cost more than £2,000m.

Lonrho ruling

VERAHAM

Lonrho has lost its latest attempt before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, and two other Court of Appeal judges, to force the disclosure of the activities of multinational oil comviries of multinational oil companies which it alleges were guity of sanctions breaking to Rhodesia during UDI. Leave to

appeal was granted. Law Report, page 8

Hoffmann victory The West German Federal Supreme Court has ruled that Hoffmann-La Roche, the Swiss pharmaceutical group, can offer its tranquillizers, Valama and Librium, at prices determined by the producer. The ruling ended a six-year legal bartle.

\$4 price rise by **BP** expected to set new North Sea levels

It is expected that the state-owned British National Oil Corporation, the biggest trader of North Sea crude, which has the right to buy 15 per cent of the production of all off-shore fields, will also fix the price at which it is prepared to buy and sell at \$33.75. As the price of the price of four prices of the prices of t

to buy and sell at \$33.75. As a result pump prices of four star petrol are likely to rise by up to 5p per gallon.

The new level follows increases announced by the North African producers of similar quality crudes. Algeria is charging more than \$37 for its crude, but this includes a \$3 exploration surcharge which is techically recoverable against expenditure by oil companies in contract with Algeria on new exploration.

exploration.

Nigeria, which Britain follows most closely, has raised its prices by \$4 a barrel to \$34 and Libya has incorporated surcharges which brought its level to \$34.72.

British Besteland has a barrel to \$34.72.

to \$34.72.

British Petroleum has led the increase in North Sea prices for the second time in the recent wave of rises to show both its independence and its willingness to fit into the Government's twin aims of following the market, and so far as possible, being a moderating influence on the international market.

By Nicholas Hirst

British Petroleum has raised the price of a barrel of its crude from the Forties field, the most prolific reservoir in the North Sea, by \$4 a barrel to \$33.75, putting British oil prices among the most expensive in the world. The rise was effective fro February 8.

It is expected that the state-owned British Netword Office of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries in Caracas, Venezuela, in December.

In following the \$4 rise imposed by the North African producers, BP has tended to reinforce the widening differentials. It would be doubtful however whether it would be possible for BNOC to charge any less and remain within the spirit of paying market-related prices.

prices.

The rise in oil prices over the past year has saved BP from incurring a loss on its Buchan field development. The cost of bringing Buchan onstream, which was originally planned for late 1979, is running out at 1979. £50m more than the planned £120m, largely because of delays in converting a drilling rig to a production platform. BP now expects the develop-

ment to start producing oil in August, running to an average peak production next year of 48,000 barrels a day. Delays have been such, that had it not been for the sharp rise in the oil price, BP would

have made a loss. It now expects to make a return which will justify going ahead with the project. Government's twin aims of following the market, and so far as possible, being a moderating of the field lies. Texaco has the influence on the international market.

The new figure of \$33.75 is, include Charterhall, the finanhowever, less easy to defend as cial group.

Shell chief recruited to strengthen BNOC

By Nicholas Hirst

Mr David Howell, the Secre-tary of State for Energy, has strengthened the board of the state-owned British National Oil Corporation with several new appointments. They include a senior merchant banker and a main board director of ICI who are to become per-time members of BNOC and a respected oil man who will become an executive director.

But no decisions have been made yet either on the details of the future structure of the corporation after, as the Government has promised, private subscribers are invited to buy shares, or on the appointment of a successor to Mr Rouald Uniger, BNOC's parttime chairman and temporary chief executive.

The new part-time members are: Mr Lewrence Tindale, are: Mr Lewrence Tindale, joint deputy chairman of joining BNOC was chairman of the venture capital group, Draymont Securities, three also been appointed to the board. Lofthouse, a main board Mr Clark becomes responsible for joint ventures offshore petrochemicals and Mr Alcon where BNOC is not the operator and Mr Morton for oil crading, finance, legal and personnel.

Commercial Editor
Substantial extra research

spending to produce lower-risk cigarettes is expected to be offered by the tobacco industry in talks with the Government

about voluntary agreement on cigarette advertising which runs out at the end of next

monti.

The research would probably concentrate on reducing tar levels further and cutting carbon monoxide content.

This follows a report earlier this week by the independent scientific committee on smoking and health which urged these two steps as part of a strenous effort " to produce lower-risk clearettes.

cigarettes.
The committee, whose chair-

Macpherson, D. 6p to 97p
MK Electric 11p to 190p
Midland Ind 8p to 108p
Pegier-Hatt 9p to 141p
Rio Tinto-Zinc 13p to 460p

consultancy, who is a general commissioner of incoms tax and a member of the Press Council. Mr Lotthouse is to renire soon from the ICI main board.

Mr Maciliom Ford, 54, who is retiring as deputy menaging director of Shell UK Exploration and Production to Join BNOC, will be the only executive director to be appointed from a provided the control of the control of

tive director to be appointed from outside the corporation.

Mr Ford, who has been with the Shell group for 28 years, will take responsibility for exploration, production and construction, which has been haddled directly by the chairman. He would be a possible choice to run the private arm of the BNOC when the government floats it off.

Two present officers of the

floats it off.

Two present officers of the corporation, Mr Ian Clark, the former chief executive of the Sheriands Islands Council, and Mr Alastair Morton, who before joining BNOC was chairman of the venture capital group, Draymont Securities, three also been appointed to the board.

Mr Clark becomes responsible

tionate further reduction over the next five years, the com-

The industry has welcomed the committee's findings point-

ing out that progress on reducing tar yields should be

no comment about the reasons for its interest in Gold Fields,

By Sylvia Morris

In offering additional re-search spending the industry is

expected to look for Government assurances that it will continue to be possible to exploit such changes commer-

balanced by an awareness that cially. The industry has always too rapid a reduction could lead argued that advertising is necessmokers to revert to higher tar

smokers to revert to higher tar sary to tell people about products, whether this argument will be accepted by the department remains to be seen for Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Services, while saying the Hunter Committe's argued that advertising is necessary to tell people about products, including new products, and for normal competition between brands to be possible. Mr Jenkin has been determined on a number of measures sained at reducing cigarette saying the Hunter Committe's

Net receipts for February ner receipts for reornary are likely to be down on last month's figures, partly because of the initial impact of the 19th issue of National Savings Sertificates offering 10.33 per cent annually over five years free of tax. The societies estimate that this will save about 5200m every free transfer.

Tobacco groups may offer more for research man is Lord Hunter, says that input was "valuable", has tar yields have on average pointed out that a decision on reduced from 31.4mg in 1965 the rate of reduction of tar to 17.3mg in 1978. A reasonable objective would be a proportionate further reduction over ment and the industry. sibly a half in the £30m annual spending on mbacco advertis-

A ban on poster advertising and advertising in cinemas has also been discussed, possibly with the ban on television advertising of cigarettes being ex-tended to that on cigars and pipe tobacco. Tougher health warnings on tigarette packets have also figured in the talks.

The tobacco industry is ex-pected to offer other conces-sions in face of this stance. This is likely to include discussing ways of meeting major criti-cisms of is advertising policy. It could mean the directing of more of its advertising spending to promote lower tar cigarettes

drawn up. Brenmall's balance

The Committee of Lloyd's has already told Brentnall Beard that it is considering whether or not to allow it to continue

or not to allow it to continue doing business in the market as part of its wide-ranging investigation into the Sasse affair.

This has lead to a qualification to the group's accounts, issued by Brentnail yesterday. The auditors, Touche Ross & Co, say that the decision by Lloyd's might affect the validity of the "going concern" basis under which the accounts were drawn up.

shows that reserves droped by £969,000 to £504,000 last year. Last month Brenmall reported

losses of £1.2m pre-tax and said a special compulsory arrange-that the Sasse affair had seriously affected its ability to gain new business.

gain new business.

In the action by Sasse Turnbull, Brentnall is said to have known that business introduced to Sasse "under the 'Den-Har Binder' was largely an extremely dubious block of business ... which had cost the Argonaut Insurance Company in the United States large losses".

Sasse Turnbull claims that

Sasse Turnbull claims that Brentnall was fully aware but failed to disclose to the syn-dicate that the business was uninsurable by reputable insurers in the United States, save under

Sasse accuses Brentnall in action over losses

rangement rates. It also accused the group of failing to disclose a pecuniary interest in Den-Har Enterprises so that there was a conflict of interest in respect of the Deu-Har Binder business.

Brentnall is also accused of failing to inform Sasse when it was aware that Den-Har Enterwas aware that Den-Har Enter-prises had no authority to "bind" business and co-operated with Lloyd's in seek-ing to effect a cover-up at the expense of the Sasse syndicate "names".

Anglo-American has 'no intention of absorbing' Gold Fields

Insurance Correspondent

to huge losses.

Brentnall Beard, the insur-ance broker, has been accused of "consistently misleading" the ill-fated Sasse syndicate at

Lloyd's over the nature of American business, which led

The allegation is one of several levelled against the publicly quoted group in a "third-party notice" issued by Sasse Turnbull, the syndicate's under-

writer, which is itself being sued by 29 members of the syn-

The action in effect claims Brentnall should bear the cost

Takeover Panel rules, would require it to make a formal bid, Mr David Lloyd-Jacob, a joint managing director of Gold Feilds, was critical of the way Angle had built up its stake. There are implications for United Kingdom law and the protection of shareholders," he said. This theme was later taken up by Mr Nicholas Goodison, chairman of the

Stock Exchange, who said "the intention of British company law was being at least temporarily frustreted while Gold Fields was unable to identify the buyer of its shares". He added: "Adequate disclosure is essential for a fair share market".

Mr Lloyd-Jacob said that Gold Fields had thought about suspending the shares, but the company believed this would be unfair to other shareholders. Gold Fields is clearly not heppy with having Anglo as such a large shareholder and there is no intention of asking an Anglo representative to join the board.

representative to join the board.

Meanwhile, Anglo appears to have shown its hand after the approach to the DoT the previous day. The investigation was formally granted yesterday by Mr John Nott, secretary of State for Trade, and the inspectors are still expected to spend some days going through Gold Fields' share register.

Anglo-American was making to comment about the reasons

of any damages incurred against Sasse Turnbul las a result of the suit from syndicate members. Sasse Turnbull has also issued

a third-party notice on Lloyd's, one of its codefendants in the original action.

Most of the allegations concern business brought to Sasse

cern business brought to Sasse by Brentnall Beard from Den-Har Emerprises under what was known as the "Den-Har Binder" which led to a large proportion of the £21.5m losses faced by the syndicate. A number of syndicate mem-bers are refusing to meet their share of losses, claiming that regulatory procedures at Lloyd's were at fault.

De Beers said in a statement it was a not seeking to change the control or the management of Consolidated Gold Fields in of Consolidated Gold Fields in which it has great confidence." Mr Lloyd-Jacobs said he did not expect any changes in his company's mining plans in South Africa nor that Anglo would propose "any swaps with its mining holdings".

"Any propositions would be considered in the light of share-holder interests", he added. In South Africa there was relief that Gold Fields would remain independent. The market views with strong feelings the fate of Union Corporation, which was taken over by the Afrikaner-dominated General Mining in a bitterly-contested bid battle five years

The general impression in Johannesburg is that the Anglo action is a blocking move and that there is no intention to absorb Gold Fields. If Anglo was not as sensitive as it is to government critimisms of it being "monopolistic", the Oppenheimer group's actions might have been differently interpreted.

interpreted.
This blocking move, however, is not entirely altruistic. Anglo would prefer to exert influence on Gold Fields policies—something which might not have been able to do if another predator had succeeded in the market.

market.

Both Anglo American and
Gold Fields would not comment in South Africa. Their
attitude was that all that had



Humphrey Wood (left) and David Lloyd Jacob Consolidated Gold Fields managing directors, revealed yesterday that Anglo American is mystery buyer of the company's shares.

to be said woul dhave been stated at the press conference. In the past Anglo had tried to maintain the status quo in the mining house field. It had to maintain the union the mining house field. It had it rougher. With all the develophed, back during the Union ments taking place on the West Corporation bid without Wits line, it makes sense for Corporation bid without attempting any countervailing action and had mutely accepted the rebuff that it had received from the government at the

interests are prepared to play it tougher. With all the developments taking place on the West Wits line, it makes sense for Anglo to get closer to Gold Fields to influence the group's policies. Auglo had wanted Deelkraal

mine an dit is understood that the government mining engineer had similar views, but Gold Fields stood out and wanted their own mine.

All the dealing to acquire the

block of; shares was through London, with instructions coming from a Johannesburg broker.

Poor January for society receipts

By Sylvia Morris

Building societies had a disappointing mouth in January,
according to figures issued by
the Building Societies Association yesterday. Although total
receipts amounted to £1,750m,
higher than the two previous
months, withdrawals were also
high, leaving net receipts at a
modest £235m. December's
total was £161m but January is
traditionally a good month
Commenting on the figures
yesterday Mr Norman Criggs,
secretary-general of the association, said: "More than double
this net figure is needed to

meet the reasonable demands of home buyers". Although the 15 per cent recommended mortgage rate has weeded out the queues to a certain extent, the underlying demend for funds is still strong.

take about £300m away from them in the next three months.

urges curb on imports

New Orleans, Feb 12.—Mr William Bourke, executive vice-president of the Ford Motor Company, has called for restric-tions on imports of foreign-made vehicles until American manufacturers can catch up with the growing demand for fuel-

efficient cars.

Mr Bourke suggested at a news conference at the National Automobile Dealers Association annual convention that there should be a ceiling of 1.5 million foreign cars imported annually, with historic market shares maintained for individual makers.

His stand reinforced that taken earlier by Mr Douglas Fraser, president of the United Auto Workers Union (UAW), who is seeking legislation to ensure that more of the content of foreign cars is manufactured

In the United States.

Mr Bourke said: "What we need this year is a combination of an allocation system and local content rules that would hold the line on imported car sales until United States auto-makers' programmes for new, more fuel-efficient cars are complete."

He said it would take congressional action to accomplish his goals but acknowledged that the chance of obtaining any such action was slim. Last year, however, 2.3 million foreign cars were sold in the United States, an increase of about 15 per cent

US car chief | Clothing industry seeks EEC action on cheap suit imports

Romanian suits into Britain.

Romanian suits into Britain.

They will produce evidence at a meeting in Brussels today showing that the gazments were landed in Britain at prices as low as £7.50 for a three-piece, all-wool suit. These fatch from £20 upwards in the shops. British manufacturers would be unable to produce similar suits for less than between £25 and £40, depending on the two of £40, depending on the type of material, Mr Gerald French, chief executive of the British Clyothing Industry's Council for

Europe (CIE), explained.

He is being accompanied in
Brussels by Mr Alec Smith,
general secretary of the National
Union of Tailors and Garment Workers. They will tell M Guillanme

Hoffmann, chairman of the European Commission textiles committee, that unrealistically low price suits from Romania are savaging the British clothing industry.

Britain's clocking industry In the past six months, 7,000 leaders are seeking urgent out of 70,000 jobs in the mensaction by the European Commission to curb imports of cheap have been lost, and Mr French estimates that since Septembe almost a quarter of the 12,000 workers engaged in making men's suits have lost their jobs. A further 3,500 workers in the menswear industry are now on short-time working.

Mr French believes that manufacturers have convinced both the British Government and the Commission officials that Romanian suits are being imported at prices which cannot possibly cover costs. They want some action under Article 5 of the bilateral agreement which the Community has with the Romanians.

Under this Article, licenses for imports would be withheld if the Romanians failed to bring prices more into line with

imports. But he says that they are a contributory factor.

PRICE CHANGES

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17p to 187p 2p to 134p 48p to 857p 13p to 127p

Falls Hunting Pet 10p to 142p KCA Int 41p to 721p Pilkington Bros Tricentral 10p to 230p 12p to 306p Western Mining 5p to 258p BL Ltd 1p to 17p BP 11p to 399p Decca 8p to 585p Gripperrods 6p to 184p Hawkins & T'son 2p to 32p

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Profits at stake in moves to end jackpot advantage for clubs

Pubs fight stacked odds on the fruit machines

Fruit machines, the so-called one-armed bandits which are ringing up gross annual revenues of f350m for Britain's public houses and clubs, have set off a two-part row that has set off a two-part row that has drawn in the brewers and Mr William Whitelaw, the Home

Pegged machine payoffs in the pubs, restricting the maximum jackpot to £1 for a maximum stake of 5p, are part of the row because there are no legal re-strictions on the clubs. Club machines are often geared to jackpots of £50 to £100 and some go as high as £200 or

The other problem is a re-surgence of the long-standing battle between tenants of tied pubs and those brewers which either insist on part of the takings from fruit machines or gear up a tenant's rent. Unless there are changes, a decline in profits from fruit

The analysis sees the competitiveness of clubs increasing and dilution of pub profits possibly arising because the 63,000 fruit machines installed in public houses could reach 70,000 or even 95,000 as smaller housester the them.

breweries take them up.
Mr Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, is involved because he is considering what changes may be needed to the Gaming Acr after last year's report of the Royal Commission on sambling.

gambling.

Mr John Watson, Conservative MP for Skipton, has asked the Home Secretary to consider the problems of the different ways that present legislation deals with pubs and clubs and to see what can be done to produce more equitable treat-

jackpot restrictions on pubs whose machines also can dis-pense only balf a jackpot in cash while the rest is made up of tokens, although these can be exchanged at the bar counter for cash.

Mr Watson's own view is that pubs should be as free as clubs to offer whatever jackpor they like. Such a move would probably be less complicated legislatively than placing restrictions on clubs. cated legislatively than placing restrictions on clubs.

But the National Union of Licensed Victuallers (NULV) wants competition on equal terms by imposing pubstyle restrictions on the clubs. It hopes to have talks soon with the Home Office on this topic and also on raising the jackpot ceiling, although in the trade it has been suggested the celling should be raised only to about £1.50.

What amonys the NULV,

What annoys the NULV. which speaks for tenants of The Gaming Act places the tied houses, is the way fruit

machine profits appear largely to account for the success of the clubs in offering beer at 5p or more a pint cheaper than competing pubs.

than competing pubs.

There are more than twice as many pubs as clubs, with about 30,000 fruit machines in the clubs and 63,000 in the pubs. But clubs' gross revenue from the machines is put at £225m against £126m produced by the pubs' machines.

Tenants' stroups within the Tenants' groups within the NULV are discussing with individual brews a possible reduction in the 55 per cent slice of fruit machine profits, which

they say on average goes to brewers. Last year the brewing groups collected £42m from the fruit machine profits, tenants picked up £20m and free houses another £10m, the stockbrokers' analysis shows.

Derek Harris

production costs. Mr French does not blame the present gloom in the clothing industry on Romanian



Col. T. E. Forman Hardy, the Chairman, reports on 52 weeks to 28 Sept., 1979.

 Profit before tax, at £2.26 million, is again a record for the Company. The figure available for appropriation of £1.33 million compares with

£1.18 million in 1978. Earnings per share have risen to 20.757p from 17.312p. Final dividend is raised to 6.8p from 5.5p

per share, making a total for the year of 9.4p (7.8p). ● Two new public houses have been opened since the

year end and two more are under construction. The Brewery expansion is well under way. Estimated costs have now risen to £1.8 million. largely due to inflation. This expansion scheme, with the acquisition of sites and building of public houses adds up to a very substantial investment programme, all funded out of our own resources.

■ Trade in the first quarter has been slow. We shall be trying very hard to increase our share of the market and we are becoming better equipped to do so as

Venezuelans plan big rise in oil sales to Italy

Venezuelan crude and refined venezuelan crude and remedial shipments to Italy will increase to between 75,000 and 80,000 barrels a day in 1980 from the 1979 level of 50,000, pending the conclusion of negotiations in Caracas this week.

Ente Nazionale Idrocarburi (ENI), the government-owned Italian oil company, is likely to receive almost all the increase of 25,000 to 30,000 barrels a day from the state-owned Petroleos

Negotiators for AGIP, the purchasing arm of ENI, are discussing final clauses of the sale contract with Petroleos this week. Venezuela is expected to sell the oil at the same rates i sets for other international clients.

Petroleos is not thought to be tying the deal to a petroleum technology exchange but it is understood that talk are taking place about other possible tech-nology agreements that might the sale.—AP-Dow

Egyptian bus order

Magirus Deutz, the West German subsidiary of the Dutch Iveco industrial vehicles group, has received a DM 30 million (about £7m) order to deliver 350 bus chassis in knock-down form for the Cairo transport authority.

£17.5m Berlin plant

Tetra Pak, the Swedish pro ducer of wrapping material for liquid foods, is to build a DM 70 million (about £17.5m) plant in west Berlin.

EEC output higher

Industrial production in the EEC increased by 1.4 per cent in November after a drop in October of 0.5 per cent. It raised the Community's season-ally adjusted industrial production index 4.5 per cent higher than the level in November 1978.

Japanese exports up

Japan's certified exports in-creased by 14 per cent to \$8,570m (about £3,700m) in January compared to the figure a year earlier but were 15.4 per cent down on December's total of \$10,130m.

Germany's tax take

West German tax revenue in 1979 totalled DM343,000m of 7.6 per cent on the figure performed. The month in which work was published is given in brackets. Forecasts, published by the Treasury twicewas payable to the federal yearly: NIESR, CE and StJ four times a year; LBS three times a year, HG and P & D revise their fore-

around the world.

London and other key centres.

Brandt report highlights problems of recycling huge Opec surpluses

Looking for backers to reform world finance

Central bankers, finance ministers and leading figures of international finance are seriously worried about the problems prosed by the enormous Opec payments surpluses expected this year and for some time to come. here is general agreement that institutional arrangements are unlikely to prove equal to the task of recycling funds from oil-rich to deficit

There is a need for new ideas about dealing with the resulting strains on the international economy.

The report of the Brandt commission on North-South relations, published yesterday, contains much of interest about the international money system, and methods of financing payments deficits. It is critical of the world monetary order and of the workings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

The report offers plenty of ideas for change. Unfortunately it is all too easy to see how some of these at least may run into the sand. For example, its proposal for a new international body, a World Development Fund, to complement the IMF and World Bank may be a good idea, but it is hard to see how agreement for such a body could be won with, one would imagine, the combined weight of the existing institutions against it.

Similarly, the suggestion that new world liquidity should be allocated with the immediate needs of poorer debtor countries more in mind will have many opponents. There has been no official reaction from the IMF to this, or to the position of stringent conditions on the deficit countries to whom it lends.

A gloomy picture of econ-omic prospects is now facing

the government, according to the forecasts published below. However, the Treasury forecast

of last autumn remains the most pessimistic on output for 1980, with a drop of 2 per cent

Two of the three most recent

forecasts shown—those by the St James' Group, and Phillips

Gross domestic product inflation

Consumer spending .
Private investment inc house-

Public investment Inc house

Imports Balance of payments deficit

Money supply (% change in M3 fiscal 1980-81)

in money terms as in 1979-80.

Forecasts for gdp components are in constant prices.

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(Nov)

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Despite the drop in demand

this year, imports are widely

FORECASTS FOR THE BRITISH ECONOMY

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NIESR; National Institute of Economic and Social Research, LBS: London Business School, HG: Hoars

Govett, CE: Cambridge Econometrics, StJ; St James Group; published in Economist, P & D: Phillips

though quarter 1980 on fourth quarter 1979, I fourth quarter 1980, excluding oil, gross fixed investment. I public corporation's fixed investment. I stockbuilding as gdp. second quarter 1981 on second quarter 1980, PSBR is forecast to stay at about the same % of gdp.

The private forecasts assume policy changes. For details readers should refer to original sources. Categories in different forecasts are not completely comparable, but differences are minor. Differences in result also reflect difference in assumptions, model constructions and date at which work

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Brandt's starting point was that the present system of reserve creation and floating exchange rates is chaotic and in need of reform. The commission advocates further demonetization of gold and a boost in the international role of the IMF's paper money, the special drawing right, which should take the dollar's place as the chief reserve asset.

Because its creation is in the hands of an international organization—the IMF—a more rational and ordered creation of global liquidity could be possible.

This should, in the commission's view, benefit poorer, developing countries, which are in greater need of additional liquidity.

The report calls for greater symmetry between rich and poor. Both should have to make adjustments to smooth world imbalances, rather than the burden being pushed onto developing countries.

The IMF has been trying for years, with little success to increase the use of SDRs as reserve assets. Brandt does not present a convincing case of how this, or the more stable exchange rates which the commission would prefer, could be accomplished. However the report does identify

clearly the problems of the growing debt needs of deficit countries. The combined debt of developing countries rose from \$70,000m (£30,434m) at the end of 1970 to an estimated \$300,000m (£130,434m) at the end of 1979. Much of t was concentrated in a relatively small number of countries, which will probably need to increase their borrowings dramatically in the next few

to remain fairly expect investment. Three of forecasters later this year.

Year 1980 on year: 1979

(Nov) (Jan) (Jan) (Feb) (Feb) (% change between years unless otherwise stated)

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whether the commercial banking system, which did nthe bulk of the recycling last time, can-or shoulddo it again.

Brandt suggests that international institutions should play a bigger part in the recycling now. They should act in some cases as a medium for lending from the banks to deficit countries. The IMF should relax its conditions on lending, and take a longer term view of the economic prospects and objectives of debtor countries.

The report picks out some areas of financing which are not being met. The chief of these is programme financing, for medium-term development plans. At the moment the IMF deals mainly with short-term adjustments and the World Bank with longer term aid tied to specific projects.

Many bankers and finance ministers in the industrialized countries have called for an increased role for the IMF in the recycling this time round. Generally, however, they are strong supporters of IMF-ser conditions which, they believe, reduces the risks for private banks.

The IMF now has money to lend and few takers, yet there are many countries in need of substantial finance. New ideas, even if based on hopeful promiss about the willingness of the rich to help the poor, must be welcome. Caroline Atkinson

Euronet data Forecasters become more pessimistic and Drew—bave been revised to show a more depressed economy. The St James' Group, using the Treasury model, expects a fall in output of just over 1½ per cent this year, rather than a rise of 0.9 per cent they were predicting last autumn. link for

try to invest more this year. House Govett believe that the recent high level of bank lend-

ing is evidence that the economy is still growing. They,

P&D Treasury (Feb) (Nov)

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Sir, Kenneth Adams rightly concentrates in his letter concentrates in his letter (February 11) on the need to EEC being change stitudes towards industry if we are to arrest our economic decline. inaugurated in industry becessitates all of us in industry taking action to get an understanding of why industry matters among employees, in education and in the community. Distributing the book for six-year-olds entitled A visit to the factory, helping at Challenge of Industry conferences in schools. By Bill Johnstone

European Com-numity's data transmission net-Euronet, the European Community's data transmission network initing the nine member states, will be inaugurated officially today in Strasbourg by Madame Simone Vell, President of the European Parliament. The EEC Commission drew up its first three-year plan for the communications network in 1975. petwork in 1975.

The network was imple mented by a European consortium of computer and com-munications companies led by SESA in France and Logica in

London, Amsterdam, Brussels, Frankfurt, Luxembourg, Paris, Dublin, Copenhagen and Rome will now be linked together in the network and 23 different operators of 175 data bases, scattered throughout Europe, are also connected to Europe.

Any person within the EEC. having the appropriate termi-nals and telecommunication coupling, can converse, either chrough a public network or via a private line, to the Euro-net system. Its advantages, spart from immediate user access to volume data banks in nice languages covering acon-umics, sociology, science, methemsics and hundreds more subjects, is in the cost of providing that service.

The cost, which will be uniform in all member coun-tries, when the system is fully operational, will be calculated largely on a connection charge and the duration of the call. The method of transmission is The method of transmission is called packet switching, where modules of data are transmitted

at high speed.

The special coding accompanying each package means that they can be sent at the same time so reducing the same time so reducing the overall cost to the users, while at the same time protecting each one's security of information. At present the routing of a particular package from one city in Europe to another is controlled by switching exchanges in London, Frankfurt, Paris and Rome, and the pricing of all services is collated in London before the package is distributed to any of the other member states.

member states.

The charges for the system are only varied in what the individual members charge users for conexions to a exchange. For switching exchange. For example, between Birmingham and London an extra STD charge could be payable before

capital gains and capital traits-The proposals, issued in res-

ponse to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's announcement that he was undertaking a thorough study of these taxes, do not support their abolition, but recommend a "spring clean-

ing" operation.
Capital gains tax should be charged only on sales of assets rather than on transfers by way of gifts. The memorandum also urges that relief should be given for inflation by increasing the value of assets by a fixed percentage for each year it is held. Relief on business assets should be extended to en-

courage commercial investment.
The Law Society also calls or substantial reductions in the rates of capital transfer tax. More people should be exempt and the top rate should be 50 per cent rather than the present 75 per cent, it says. Special recommendations are made on business assets, agri-cultural land and the applica-

tion of capital transfer tax to trust property.

Stamp duty payable by home-buyers should be reduced and small duties should be abolished, the society says.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Computer-aided techniques in mechanical engineering

Sir, The recommendations for the widespread adoption of computer-sided techniques in mechanical engineering put for-ward in the Acard report (reviewed in your columns Februszy 7) are an immediate and significant confirmation of the relevance and importance of the Finniston recommendations for engineering education and

If we in the United Kingdom ere to catch up, and then lead, in the application of such techniques, and not be restricted only to research and development, we must have many more engineering graduates who will be familiar with computer-aided agineering, and who will be able to apply it effectively in design and manufacture throughout both large and small

To achieve this they will need the proposed additional length of courses devoted to engineer-ing practice, and the special hardware and software required

To change attitudes towards

industry necessitates all of us

try conferences in schools,

providing support for university

industrial societies, are all proven actions which industria-

However, the work of The

Industrial Society with women's

organizations often shows that "the hand that rocks the cradle" has the most profound effect on attitudes towards

industry. The syndrome repor-

the Financial Editor concluded

Green Paper on company accounting and disclosure, this Association of Independent Businesses, (the oldest representative body for small firms) favoured the introduction of a limited register.

The association sought the views of a selected number of members and the concensus of

opinion was that the statutory

requirement to audit accounts

of small companies should be abolished. The Government should agree with the account-ancy bodies the form this should take and then encourage

the Inland Revenue to accept this in lieu of an audit. It would

appear that the purpose of an audit is not fully understood

by the small company sector,

From Mr L. Bushby,

limited review.

red by the careers adviser— London SW1."
"I've promised my mum I February 11.

small companies

Auditing the accounts of

Sir, In a brief article on small also unaware of the revised company audits (February 6) and the possible diffine Financial Editor concluded

that there is no real pressure. It is generally agreed that the for change from small com- standards which apply to large

panies themselves. However, in publicly quoted companies may

Industry's dialogue with

the community at large

will only be provided in uni- French industry to develop versities and polytechnics with CAE products; to accelerate, the "ear-marked" extra fund- with the haison of the Ministry ing advocated by Finniston. The mid-career engineers caught up in this technological revolution in the design-office and the machine-shop will also need the short courses covered by the "formation" and continuing education proposals, and bands on "experience with

the new equipment. The timeliness of both reports was underlined to me last week when I wisted a French computer eided system company set up jointly with French government and private finance, to exploit the academic and government institute research work. Their marketing campaign has been helped by a circular distributed throughout French industry by the Minetry of Industry describing the advantages of CAE and service

objectives. "To encourage, with partial financing, putting CAE experience into industry; to incite

won't end up in a factory needs taking seriously. Industry needs to send annual reports for employees to homes, ask

representatives of local women's

organizations to annual meet-ings of amployees and invite

women's groups, not just for a tour of the works, but for a discussion and project on "Why our industry matters to

our community".

Initiatives and actions of this sort are beginning to bring about the changes in attitudes so desperately needed. However, the key action is to make

sure that employees, through regular communication and in-

volvement et work, are the greatest ambassadors and advo-

cates of the importance of industry to their families, schools and local community.

Many small companies are

culty in complying with them.

Yours faithfully,

JULIA CLEVERDON,

The Industriel Society,

Peter Runge House, 3 Carlton House Terrace,

ommunication Director.

of Universities, the diffusion in the universities and the engineering colleges of the tech-niques of the CAE." Their target is to have 2,000 systems installed in French industry by 1983 and it was reported to me that 20m francs had already been allocated this year to this

applications programme. Sir Monty, in his preface, stated "unless urgent actions are taken, continuous relative and possibly absolute industrial decline is inevitable". The application of computer-aided engineering is certainly one area demanding such urgent action, and the financial support recommended in both the Finnisron and Acard reports, if industrial nation.

Yours faithfully, JOSEPH BLACK, chool of Engineering, University of Bath,

Worker co-op incentives

From the Chairman of the Cooperative Development Agency Sir, Mr David Steel's proposals about tax relief on profit-shar-ing are indeed as modest as he

But his headline is not modest. "Revitalize industry." is indeed an objective we all share. But how? Modest changes of the kind he suggests in income and capital taxation, though perhaps desirable in themselves, will not give workers the incentives they need. At the heart of today's indus-trial troubles is the unfulfilled need for the workforce to have a greater share of control over the places where they work, and a financial reward propor-tionate to their efforts. They are not able to exercise that control or receive that reward

in either private industry or in nationalized industry.

This is why there is increasing interest these days in the potential of cooperative forms of ownership. The essential principles of cooperative ownership in industry are democratic control (one member one vote) and distribution of the trading surplus not in proportion to capital holding but in proportion to the work put into the enterprise.

Yours sincerely, ORAM, Chairman,

Co-operative Development Agency, 20 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7TJ. February 4.

the very small independent revolution From the Chief Executive of the City of Southempton

We believe the accountancy profession has more to offer small firms than just an audit. Help in the preparation of Sir, I am interested in the budgetary control and cash security systems, cash flow fore-casting and management accounting are perhaps more useful than an audit, which is often out of date when seen by the management. micro-chip in general and in particular in its impact on cities. While many universities, pro-

fessional bodies and other egencies make their contributions, there is a manifest and urgent need for some acknow-ledged centre of excellence to draw all this together and pub-lish the best current thinking as a basis for thought and action. How can this be done? Your feithfully, D. SCOULLER,

City of Southampton, Civic Centre, Southempton, SO9 4XR.

as many small companies believe the audit is a way of checking on the integrity of their staff. Aid for the developing countries

Chairman,
Business Lew Committee,
Association of Independent

Europe House. World Trade Centre,

It is worrying that these considered and positive views do not seem to have permeated the Institute of Chartered

the management.

I. RIISHRY

Businesses,

charge could be payable before joining the Euronet system in London. At the moment the United Kingdom, Denmark, The Netherlands and Italy operate similar pricing, but this will be made uniform within Euronet.

Law Society

Urges cut

In gains tax

By Sylvia Morris

A memorandum issued by the Law Society moday calls for reductions in the rates of both capital gains and capital trans-

apply.

There may indeed be aid that does not reach the targets at which it is aimed or that has damaging repercussions (Pro-fessor Bauer's words). Even here, it is too much to assert that all of it is worse than useless. Remedying deficiencies in the infrastructure of former colonial territories is an objective that can be achieved through official aid—and should be. It will be tragic if the per-suasiveness of Professor Bauer's writings causes the baby to be thrown out with the bath-water, or any taxpayer to feel that all his contributions are mis-applied.

The view of your contributor,

represented by the caption given to his article, that aid encourages the belief that betterment does not depend on self-help, is a sweeping view that should at once be chalthat should at once of char-lenged in the interests both of those to whom official aid is given and of those who supply our means of giving aid. A sub-stantial element in British aid has the opposite aim and oppo-

site effect.

From the Chairman of the investing in developing coun-Commonwealth Development tries, funds provided by the Corporation Treasury, in development pro-Sir, Professor Peter Bauer asks investing, in developing countries, funds provided by the Treasury, in development projects which help to increase the wealth of those countries, but which also yield a reasonable return on the money invested. Although the monies advanced to the corporation sunually by the Treasury must be the corporation annually by the Treasury must be the corporation of the case, which makes the same case, with quantities to prove the economic point. But what about the condition within this country? If the corporation of the corporati annually by the Treasury must in due course be repaid by the corporation, they are part of Britain's "aid" budget and may thus be thought to be sub-ject to Professor Bauer's stric-

Happily, however, the cor-poration's record shows that it has avoided the damaging repercussions to which he refers. Its philosophy is to help others to help themselves and it can claim to have been successful. At the end of 1979, it had invested in some 260 projects in 45 countries a total of more than £300m, much of this being self-generated funds. than £470m. It has the confidence not only of the governments of the countries it seeks

Total commitments are more to serve, but also of inter-national development agencies. There are many demands for its management services as well as for the comparatively modest sums that it is able to invest. It would be sad indeed if those who provide that money were to be dissuaded from so doing by any belief that much of the overseas aid currently given by Britain fails to achieve its

have the honour to be Sir, Yours faithfully, GREY OF NAUNTON.

Commonwealth Development Corporation, 33 Hill Street, London WIA 3AR. February 5.

From Mr Henry Hobbouse The Commonwealth Develop-ment Corporation was set up in Bauer's argument (February 5) 1948 charged with the task of nearer home? There is a chil-

areas) were independent nation states, they would either (a) reduce consumption, (b) raise productivity or (c) starve to death. As it is, there is a vast transfer of resources (which means money) from the pros-

perous to the decayed.

These transfers more than account for the budget deficit. Glasgow costs us more than education. Bournemouth pays ten times as much tax as it receives, back from the Exchequer. For thirty years these transfers have taken place and nearly all this money has gone down the drain or on to the strap heap via unearned personal government has ever faced these areas with consumption.

areas with the need to re-structure by means of self-help. South of a line from Glou-cester to Skegness, England (despite the incubes of London) lives in the twentieth century, has a high ratio of useful employment, competes successfully with the world and has a low incidence of destabilizing militancy and other social diffi-culties. Quite otherwise the rest

of the United Kingdom. There are many historic reasons for this state of affairs, which go beyond Cobden and Bright, but in the relatively prosperous years up to 1973 we never faced the problem and

now of course the condition is much more difficult and demanding.

The first need is to recognize a painful economic truth not to obscure the issue with facile talk of "social justice", whatever that may mean.
I am, Sir, yours etc. HENRY HOBHOUSE, Bottom Barn,

Grindlays 23 Fenchurch Street, London EC3P 3ED.

Anglo American makes its move

Not before time Anglo American has finally emerged from the shadows as the driving force behind the surge in Consolidated Gold Fields share price in recent months. Through its cash-rich De Beers associate, whose access to funds outside South Africa whose access to runos outside South Africa means that it is not subject to the penalties of the securities rand which Anglo itself would have had to use if it had been used as the buying vehicle, Mr Harry Oppenheimer's empire has spread its tentacles further into South Africa's mining industry than it could have done through 20 years of starting mines up from scratch.

For £150m Anglo has secured a near quarter stake in South Africa's second largest mining group whose gold mines are already rivalling those of Anglo, which account for almost a third of world production. At the same time it provides Anglo with an interest in mining outside South Africa in politically stable areas like Australia, a goal Anglo has been striving to achieve for fifteen years and which it has so far signally failed to do with Charler Consolidated and Minorco. For perspective Anglo has just decided to spend some £380m for the expansion of just one gold mine, Western Deep Levels.

For British investors more accustomed to seeing such large stakes used as a springboard for a full bid, they may be less convinced with Anglo's claim that the holding is simply a strategic investment. But the South African mining industry is littered with similar large shareholdings. and Gold Fields managed to convince itself yesterday that this was not a prelude to a

But some longer-term rationalization of the two's mining interests cannot be ruled out, perhaps involving Anglo's problem child Charter Consolidated which it is desperately trying to turn into a United Kingdom-based industrial concern. Those with longer memories will recall that Anglo's main concern is with the structure of its empire rather than the interests of shareholders.

Meanwhile the chairman of the Stock Exchange added his weight to the criticisms of the way Anglo has built up its stake. Anglo and De Beers still claim they did nothing to break United Kingdom company law but that will cut little ice with selfregulators in the City who have seen Anglo only being finally flushed out by the threat of a Department of Trade inquiry. Anglo is a reputable enough company not to behave in the way it has done.

Eurobonds...

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If the trend continues . . .

The Eurodollar bond secondary market is finally showing signs of cracking under the intense strain of the present bear market. Within the past week Kuhn Loeb Lehman Brothers has stopped market-making in dollar issues with maturities of more than five years—that is, those which have fallen-farthest in price; Hill Samuel has given up market-making in straight dollar bonds; and Continental Illinois Limited has cut out trading in dollar bonds with other Eurobond trading houses to concentrate on Canadian floating rate issues

It is no coincidence that all this should have happened after a period when bond prices have again been plumetting in unprecedented style. So far this year longdated bonds have fallen anything between eight and 10 points, and since last June some have come down by more like 18 to 20 points. The worst performers have been those issues launched within the past six months, most of which were badly placed and left in the reluctant hands of managers and underwriters. It is doubtful whether more than a handful of market-makers world-wide avoided losses last year.

Clearly a process of reassessment has been taking place within all Eurobond houses. Many of those which rushed into market-making on the back of the 1976-77 bull market have since realized their mistake. The tendency now is to disengage from the expensive business of holding big bond positions (invariably at a financing cost in excess of their yield) in order to trade with other professionals. Instead the approach is to concentrate on servicing genuine investors on a much more restricted basis. Such for instance, is the Hill Samuel line.

If this trend continues, which seems probable, it will pose important questions for the long-term structure of the secondary market. The implication is that the market will increasingly concentrate in the hands of a smaller number of powerful houses. much as has been happening for years among the jobbers in the United Kingdom

equity market. The profit potential for those able to hold on for the buil market is obvious but capital bases have been much croded in many cases and will have to be underpinned with new money if the market as a whole is to retain any real depth of dealing capacity.

Armitage Shanks

Cement prices help Blue Circle

Armitage Shanks shareholders still have time to make up their minds about Blue Circle's share and cash offer. The first closing date is still a week away. A new factor, though, is the improved performance of Blue Circle's share price now at 318p after news of a 24 per cent increase in cement prices. This is 50p up on the share price immediately after the bid was made.

Blue Circle's terms now put a £33m tag on Armitage Shanks. So at this stage, with Armitage's net asset value at 91.7p, and its share price at 103p compared with a presuspension price of 56p, the share equity-only offer puts a value of 106p a share on Armitage. This is 16p above the valuation at the time of the bid, but Blue Circle's price may well fall back when the interest created by the cement price rise dies away.

Any sign of a counter bid, which would be welcomed by Armitage's largest shareholder, Cerumic Investments which is opposing the offer, has failed to emerge. This is perhaps not surprising considering that Armitage's management has not yet provided a forcçast

The question also remains over Ceramic's stake. It has repeated its intention of rejecting the offer although it says it will not be making an offer itself. But although it has also made it clear that it is unconvinced of Blue Circle's growth potential, the Dutchbased group would probably go for an im-proved share offer of, say, two Blue Circle shares for five Armitage valuing the group at 127p a share on a total of £40m instead of the present one for three deal.

Guinness Peat

Maintaining

progress

Guinness Peat, already bouncing back in the second half of its last financial year, has continued to make headway in the first half (May-October) of the present one. Pre-tax profits for the last three consecutive six monthly periods now read: £1.85m; £5.91m and £6.22m and there should be a still higher figure to come for the six months to April given the recent level of activity in commodity markets.

Certainly, the level of activity in the soft commodity market last summer was a major factor in the first-half profit performance, though by no means the only one of



Mr Edmund Dell, chairman of Guinness Peat.

importance. Banking profits increased largely as a result of rising fee income, while there has also been a higher contribution from the money broking operations
Profits from the international projects division, however, continue to flow rather more slowly than had been hoped, while cost pressures have affected both the

chemical and insurance broking businesses. The bulk of profits from insurance broking do, however, tend to fall in the second half of the year, so that is a further reason for expecting profits for the second half to show improvement

At 127p the shares yield 7.6 per cent on the basis on the latest two dividend payments; and it seems reasonable to count on a prospective yield of 8-81 per cent given the scope there should be to raise this year's final dividend. On the face of it the group should not be so happily placed in the face

BL's survival plan is in jeopardy. Edward Townsend reports

Another setback for Sir Michael

chairman of BL, and his board of directors must be feeling a deep sense of isolation today as they gather at the company's London headquarters to consider the latest in the long string of crises to hit the stricken British motor vehicle

industry.

Rejection by trade union members of the group's pay and conditions package could prove to be the straw that breaks the organization's back.

Despite the 87 per cent of BL workers who voted last November to accept the company's

workers who voted last November to accept the company's survival plan—which involves the disappearance of 25,000 jobs and the closure or partial closure of 13 plants—59 per cent of the voting papers returned in the unions' ballot and the paper of the p on BL's pay offer have now rejected an integral part of

that plan.

This has come against the background of a clear statement from the Government that the BL board is now on its own in its attempts to pull the com-pany back from the brink of disaster.

Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary

of State for Industry, while agreeing to the injection of a further £300m of state aid this year, is unwavering in his view that the company must prove fixelf worthy of more cash. That means the achievement of much higher productivity levels and the curtailment of the steadily increasing share of the home car market which is being taken by imported

BL's parent, the National Enterprise Board, has retreated into its shell, declaring that it has nothing useful to contribute to the issue of BL's future

tunding.
After Sir Michael's request that his state-owned company should be directly responsible to the Department of Industry, the new NEB, under the chair-manchip of Sir Arthur Knight, stood back and said nothing. It is still waiting for clarifica-tion from Sir Keith about whether it is to retain responsi-

bility for BL. Sir Michael, who has earned respect throughout industry during his two years at the helm of BL will now be telling consider seriously whether the

can still work. Labour relations and political Labour relations and political considerations apart—and these include the problem of Mr Derek Robinson, the engineering union convenor at Long-bridge—sales of BL cars have slumped to a level which has forced Mr Ray Horrocks, managing director of EL Cars, to institute major lav-offs.

In 1978 BL had 23.5 per cent of the domestic new car market.

of the domestic new car marker, Last year, this dropped to 19.0 per ceet and in January this year was down in an all-time low of 15 per cent. The importers, particularly European-based manufacturers, srw their marker, there last mouth climb market share last month climb to just under 60 per cent. The controversial "Buy

The controversial "Buy British" campaign, due to begin on January 1, was three weeks late starting and was too late to affect January sales figures. The one consolation is that it should boost BL's market share to nearer 20 per cent this month and in March.

The underlying weaknesses, however, which are preventing BL from combarting the competition, particularly from Ford, make implementation of the

Michael's uncompromising stand over continuous and unin-tercupted production and it is worth repeating the key para-graph in his letter to Sir Keith last December, seeking further government backing.

He wrote: "In particular if there is a significant shortfall in cash flow, whether due to major disruptions through in-ternal or external strikes or to delays in any of our pro-grammes for investment and launch of new products, restruc-turing and redundancies, or for improving productivity and working practices, or to any other cause, internal or external, the board will abandon the plan."

Ditching of the plan, which envisages additional state hand-outs of £133m between 1981 and 1983, would affect BL Cars -whose workers are the most vociferous in rejecting the present 5 per cent pay and conditions offer-most seriously of

BL management yesterday put on a brave face over the ballot result. It was stressed

85,115 workers eligible to vote had rejected the company's offer and this did not constitute a mandate to strike. It was, a spokesman said, almost unpre-cedented for a union negotiating cedented for a union negotiating team to receive such scant support on a wage-related issue.

Juggling with the figures, however, will not solve the problem and Sir Michael and his colleagues will need to make quick decisions to avoid what could be the most damaging dispute to hit BL.

The Government has made clear that the level of wage settlements, in isolation, will not affect its future view of the group's appeals for cash; it is interested simply in overall success. And that depends on the introduction in the next two the introduction in the next two years of BL's most impressive new model range to date—the face-lifted Marina, the Mini Metro, the Honda-BL car and the Marina-Allegro replacement. The events of the next few weeks could be crucial for these products and decide whether the BL board emerges from isolation or the company faces extinction.

Gold Fields: Mr Oppenheimer shows his hand

The worst fears of Consolidated Gold Fields have come true. For the first time in more than ninety years it will have to operate with a substantial shareholder watching its every move.

It could have been worse. Instead of the expected emergence of Afrikaaner business interests as the big buyer of Gold Fields' shares over the last two or three months, it was the Anglo American Corporation of South Africa-the republic's biggest mining finance housewhich finally admitted yester-day that through its De Beere diamond associate it had built up a stake of almost a quarter in the United Kingdom-owned Gold Fields group.

The announcement, made per-

sonally yesterday morning by Anglo's chairman Mr Harry Oppenheimer in a telephone call to Gold Fields' London headquarters—came as a sur-prise even to Gold Fields itself. For some months Gold Fields has been aware of something untoward happening to its shares. Purchasers, mostly through London stockjobbers Akroyd & Smithers, have been sporadic but persistent

A pattern developed: the buyer would make occasional heavy purchases, wait for the price to drift back and then repeat the exercise. What attracted Gold Fields' attention was the way the new owners of the shares refused to register their names on the Gold Fields' share At last year's annual meeting

with shareholders Lord Errol of Hale, chairman of Gold Fields', warned shareholders of the possibility of a "creeping acquisition". Speculation continued to mount in recent weeks because of the scale of the buying but until vesterday had been frustrated.

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Mr Harry Oppenheimer, chairman of the Anglo-American Corporation.

spree lie deep divisions in South Africa's mining industry between the English speaking companies — dominated by Anglo American, and Gold Fields of Eouth Africa (Gold Fields' South African subsidlary)—and the Afrikaaner groups such as General Mining, Federale Mynbou and Sanlam, which work in concert, and the Rembrandt group.

This first came to light in 1975 when Consolidated Gold Fields and General Mining, which was thought to be representing the wider Afrikaaner business interest, fought a bitter battle for control of the last small independent mining house in South Africa, Union Corpora-This followed a series of

moves earlier by r Angio itseli and the Barlow Rand industrial conglomerate to sweep up all the loose ends in South African mining.

General Mining eventually won the day-after crossing swords with the Takcover Panel all Gold Fields' efforts to dis-cover the identity of the buyer about making a partial offerad been frustrated. but not before a great deal of Behind the share buying surreptious wharehousing of

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Union Corp

De Beers

Amic (Anglo American Industrial)

CROSSHOLDINGS OF SOUTH AFRICAN

MINING HOUSES

Union shares by Afrikaneer business interests. This was crucial to its success.

Gold Fields has been con-cerned that the raid on its shares was a prelude to a simi-lar operation. There was, however, no indication yesterday from either the Gold Fields or Anglo camps that the recent buying was a defensive move Anglo to out-manoeuvre the Afrikaneers.

So why has Anglo paid out more than £150m in this operation? Most observers were tak-ing with a pinch of salt its claim that it had no wish to change "the control or manage-ment" of Gold Fields.

The most likely explanation seems to be that Anglo fears an increasing polarization of South African mining between the Afrikaneers and the English-speaking groups while Gold Fields itself, with its gold mines now reaching the stage of maturity where they are more profitable even than Angle, is a rich plum indeed.

There has also been little love lost between Anglo and Gold Fields in the past over their respective attitudes to mine labour with a feeling within Anglo that its more progressive policy has been blocked time and again by Gold Flelds. Anglo may even have some longer term plan—perhaps to use its strategic holding in Gold Fields to provide leverage for a large-scale swop of the two group's mining interests in South Africa, such as has already been done with their

Cross-shareholdings in South fact of life and have been crucial in providing the industry with the financial muscle to take on the challenge of developing new mint; and there is no reason to believe that the two groups should not work harmoniously in the

The most enduring lesson of the last few weeks may not be the fact that Anglo has taken a quarter stake in a major British industrial company but the weaknesses the episode has exposed in United Kingdom company law when it comes to overseas hidders. Even Mr Nicholas Goodison,

Even Mr Nicholas Goodison, the Stock Exchange chairman, was moved to comment yesterday that "company law was frustrated" hy Anglo's action in not declaring its interest at an earlier stage. "Adequate disclosure is e-sential for a fair market" he added, and that is something that has been palpably locking in Gold Fields' shares for at least the last three morths, The City's self-regulatory mechanism has once again been shown up to lack egain been shown up to lack real force when one side refusses to play by the spirit

Ronald Pullen

The £8,000-a-year steel men of Sheerness

Not far from where Samuci Pepys planned a new naval dockvard for Charles II a running battle has been going ou for the past two weeks between a motley band of striking steel workers and the 800 employees of the Sheerness Steel Com-

ing. The steel workers at Sheer-ness, though members of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, have defied the union's instruction to join the strike in support of their public sector brothers.

The wives of the men who work at the steel works at dimension to the dispute by demonstrating vigorously in support of their husbands

right to work.

The women's anger is under standable. For Sheerness Steel pays their husbands well (shop-floor wages are between £7,000 and £8,000 a year including overtime) and the company has become a vital element in the local economy.

In the private sector of the steel industry, much of which has been drawn reluctantly into the national steel strike. Sheerness stands out as a beacon. There is harmony between workers and management and both wages and productivity are high. In short, it is the sort of industrial unit which Sir Keith seph dreams of and which the British Steel Corporation badly

Sheerness Steel, only 40 miles from the centre of London, was the first "mini-mill" to be established in the United Kingdom and has become the model for others which have sprung They include the Greekowned Alpha Steel in South Wales and the Norwegian-owned Mauchester Steel in the North-

Based on the mini-mill con-cept which had been successfully pioneered in Japan, America and other parts of Europe in the sixtles and early seventles. Sheerness Steel was the brainchild of a London steel merchant, Mr Peter Learmond. He conceived the plan for a steelworks at about the time of the closure of the naval dockyard in 1960. But it was not until 1966 that the company

The mini-mill idea offered a break with tradition. Instead of steel being produced by the usual route of an integrated steelworks involving huge investment in coke ovens and which was then converted into steel in oxygen blown vessels, the mini-mill route is based on an electrically beated arc furnace which melts down a charge of scrap metal.

Sited at the confluence of the Thames and the Medway.

Sheerness had a number of factors in its favour. It was close to the London conurbation and was therefore able to draw large quantities of its raw material—scrap—from industry in the area and to transport it easily and cheaply to the works. It also had access to a deep water borth from which the end-products-reinforcing bars and rods-could be shipped out to foreign customers. Finally, it against a Sheerness level of was able to draw on a large fill per tonne.

pool of skilled workers—many from the former dockyard.

Peter Hill

1969 Co-Steel International, a Canadian company which had pioneered mini-mill was sufficiently impressed to move in and take a controlling interest in the company. It was joined by Chase International Investment Corporation, Kleinwort Benson and other institutional investors. The initial financing of the venture was completed ten years ago.

Two years later, in 1972, Sheerness Steel was producing

180,000 tonnes of steel a year with a labour force of 480. A second furnace was added in 1975, along with a continuous casting machine, and a rod mill

was brought on stream in 1976 with a capacity of 150,000 tonnes.

Production is now running at 450,000 tonnes a year with a total labour force of 830. Profits of the company in 1978 were £3.7m before tax, though they dipped last year to £1.7m, reflecting the transport and engineering strikes. But prospects for this year, accord-ing to Mr Clancy Schueppert, the chairman and chief executive (said to be one of the highest paid executives in the United Kingdom steel industry)

are forecast at about £4.7m before tax.

Even with its fairly "down market" bulk products—reinforcing bar and rod—Sheerness has managed to carve out a sizable export business accounting for 52 per cent of total production and, despite the market, it is managing to squeeze out more output

It is always difficult to com-pare steel plants with each other. There are different plant configurations and processes, with different end-products.
Within the BSC there are also
electric arc operations which
are geared to rather higher quality steels than are produced at Sheerness. The electric arc furuaces at the Aldwarke and Templeborough melting shops and at the Tryberg and Rounwood Mills in the Sheffield-Rotherham area represent perhaps the closest comparison with Sheerness although their and products in terms of value added differ. They, too, are successful and profitable.

On the basis of the latest available information from both BSC and Sheerness for 1978, Sheemess produced 410,000 tonnes of steel with a total labour force of 839 workers, equivalent to an output per man year of 488 tonnes. On the corporation's most successful electric arc works was 2.1 million tonnes with a total labour force of 7,600, equivalent to an output per man per year of 276 tonnes.

This is far ahead of the average level of productivity per man throughout the corporation, which BSC claims is 141 tonnes a man (the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation estimates it at 192 tonnes) and above the 183 tonnes which the BSC is aiming at if it can succeed with its de-manning places plans. But on the basis of the pro-

duct mix at the two plants the BSC example comes out significantly ahead, with an average revenue uper toone of 1255,

Business Diary: Salt and AAIW, dear? • BMA's bust-up

It is less than two years since Britain's fish and chip shup owners raised a furore because EEC regulations would stop them describing non-brewed condiment as vinegar. Now they find that under the Govern-ment's new draft food labelling ment's new draft food hearing regulations they would not be allowed to call it non-brewed condiment either.

If the draft regulations become law within the year, as the Ministry of Agriculture the only permissible de-

hopes, the only permissible description for the compound which has traditionally lent the national dish its familiar pungency will be acetic acid in water.
The National Federation of

Fish Friers, who have their headquarters in Leeds, seem reneadquarters in Leeds, seem resigned to it. "Non-brewed condiment is really a meaningless phrase", admirred Derek Gulland, their general secretary.

On the other hand, the fish friers' executive council has yet to decide whether or not to to decide whether or not to fight a last ditch defence of rock saimon, hencefulth to he described only as "dogfish", though the regional names of hese floke and ring are to he huss, flake and ring are to be

permitted in parenthesis. In London and the south-east, where most docfish is con-sumed, there might be a case for pleading that rock salmon is a familiar and well-under-stood description. And olsewhere, Gulland feels, they may emer a plea to be allowed to call it huss or flate without damning it as "dogfish."



"These rumours of a possible abdication—thank heavens they're about Mrs Thatcher and not the Queen."

Dr David Gullick, the secretary and executive medical adviser of BUPA, has steered me towards an interesting story behind a story.

behind a story.

Writing the other day about Rhodesia House in the Strand, Business Diary carried a picture of one of the nude statues on the facade of this building. Dr Guilick directed me to Doctors' Commons. Paul Vaughan's 1959 history of the association.

association. The sculptures were commissioned of the then unknown lecob Epstein by the architect Charles Holden, who built what is now Rhodesia House for the

and his team sculpted the statues from scuffolds high above the Strand. One of the plaster casts he worked from was of "Maternity", a pregnant woman hold crown people.

ing a baby. Unfortunately, it was delivered sans baby and the woman looked to passers-by as though she was contemplating her interesting condition.
On the other side of the street from the building stood the offices of the National Vigilance Association, who on seeing this madonna in stone kicked up a rumpus which went on for

years.

By 1935, however, the Rhodesians had moved in and they
had a fit, partly because the
nudes did not look very diplomatic and partly because a bit
of one (rude or not Vaughan
doesn't say) fell off and hi; a

spare the statues at the cost of spare the statues at the cost of going round personally with hammer and chizel and lopping should be a good time to get in off any protuberance likely to be the ground floor of property off any protuberance likely to

 It looks like all change in more senses than one for the state-owned National Freight Corporation. Not only is the group to be turned into a limited company and partly sold off to private investors, but it plans to move from its Regent's Park headquarters to a new black in-Bedford, 50 miles out of The main reason, I gather,

was not to save rent—though the saving there will be quite large on a staff of two to three hundred—but to get the top management of the various sub-sidiaries (Nationa) Carriers, British Road Services and so on) together under one roof in order to help to build the greater sense corporate entry which the NFC believes it should have under the new

chairman Bobby Lewrence the rankwayman (he is still a vice-chairman of BR) and the property man (he is also chairman of the BR Property Board), though I gather he did not take a leading part in choosing the site. Bedford is at the end of BR's latest suburban electrifications the same which at the latest suburban electrifications. tion scheme which, as Lawrence the former general manager of London Midland Region will know, should provide one of the best commuter services in the passer-by.

Holden made the Rhodesians

Country when it is finished next

developments on the route



Peter Costain.

After spending almost 15 years in Australia Peter Costain has surfaced to become group chief executive of the family construction and civil engineer construction and civil engineering group. He replaces Tyrrell Wyatt, the present deputy chairman, who is destined to succeed John Sawden as chair-Peter, 41, is the son of Albert Costain, Conservative MP for

Folkestone and Hythe. He joined the group to 1963 and has held executive posts with Costain Australia since 1965 His father used to be a director of Richard Costain and an Uncle Dick is part of an associate company in Liverpool. Otherwise, Peter is the remaining connexion with the Manx family which founded the Costain company on Mersey olde in 1865. This is something he is anxious to play down.

Alan Solomon, an employ ment agent who commutes into London from Bedford, thought It was time for a change of reading matter on the train. Instead of doing something as banal as going to a bookstall for a new magazine, he started a new magazine of his own. It is called London Bound and is not at all bad, if only because though it is a giveaway it does make some attempt to put reasonable articles between the ads.

One of the most interesting pieces in it. I think, is a letter from C. M. Lowe, chairman of Sawbridgeworth and Harlow Mill Association of Rail Passengers. This lets the dis-cruntled know which British Rail official to berate for each type of complaint.

I also like the comic strip,
The Kaped Kommuter, with a
cast that includes the Demon
Guard and his Motley Crew and
"that infamous highwayman"
Sir Peter Peak-Hour.

British visitors to the forthcoming American Textile Machinery Exhibition in Green ville, South Carolina, are being sent examples of the cost in their own currency of meals in that town. The sterling cost of one of those marvellous Amer can breekjasts apparently ranges between 4513p and £2.49205-but then big breek jasts always did play hell with

Ross Davies

WINTRUST LIMITED INTERIM STATEMENT FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED

30th SEPTEMBER, 1979

30th Sept 31st Mar 30th Sept 1979 1978 Group profit before taxation .. 705,656 579,995 1,238,105 Estimated taxatich 277,171 163,517† Group profit after taxation ... 428,485 †Adjusted to reflect the Group's changes in accounting policy for deferred taxation.

* Half-year pre-tax profits increased by 21%.

* Combined ordinary and preference share dividend equivalent to a 44° increase in distributions to shareholders on an annualised hasis.

Highly sadsfactory trend in profitability is continuing.

* Net Asset value per ordinary share of 90p.

Interim Accounts available from The Secretary. Wintrust Limited, Imperial House, Dominion Street, London EC2M 2SA.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Gloomy news fails to upset equities

showing yesterday, in the face ditions were slightly better, and of adverse economic and industrial news, which once again proved too much for gilts.

Gloomy press forecasts, previous night's level. coupled with the worsening Trading after hou situation in the steel strike and threatened industrial action by the waterworks and British Levland did little for sentiment. Jobbers were happy to mari prices lower at the offset, but in the absence of any signifi-cant selling, prices tended to improve.

Sentiment was helped later in the morning by the announcement that De Beers had emerged as the mystery buyer of shares in Consolidated Gold Fields, and now accounted for about 25 per cent of the equity. This news was enough to send a flurry of activity surging through the mining financials, which soon eased on the news that De Beers was in turn about to sell 50 per cent of its holding to Angle American Corperation.

However, no further selling developed and the institutions were quite content to sit on the idelines, fust in case conditions suddenly took a turn for the worse. So, the market was left, more or less, to mark time until investors felt it was safe enough to test the water again. Gilts on the other hand, were more apt to take a passimistic view of proceedings by following the recent downward trend. Dealers reported some early bouts of selling as investors gave further thought to the previous day's rise in the Wholesale Prices Index and the gloomy press on the country's economic outlook. As a result prices tended to drift lower

throughout the list.
Falls of up to a half were soon established in longs, although some active two-way

Equities maintained 2 steady shorter end of the market conafter some fluctuating business falls or around E2 were soon diluted to only £1/16 below the

> Trading after hours was somewhat easier, with the FT Index closing 0.6 off at 469.3, after opening 3.6 down at

> Leading industrials were mostly easier, where changed, although ICI held up fairly

Sale Tilney are being hought ahead of their final figures next month for the year to November 30, last. The shares are now 198p. Profits rose 12 per cent in the first six months, and the signs are that 1977-78's full-year profits of £1.94m will he well heaten . A big dividend increase

well after the previous days steep rise, owning to its oil interests. In the end it closed Ip off at 398p, mainly as a result of some lith profit restit or some time profit taking, BAT's continued to lose ground shead of the Budget, dipping 4p to 241p and bringing its fall to 19p in the Elsewhere, Unilever improved 4n to 464p as did Reed Interna-

tional at 202p, but falls of be-

Abercom Grp (II(b) 74.8(59.5) Crest Nicholson (F) 43.0(34.0) Crescent Japan (F) —(—) Broudstn Inv Tret (F) 1.8(1.5)

Joseph Wedo (1) 2.1(1.8)
Wu Jackson (1) 55.3(49.4)
J'burg Invst (1) (b) 23.6(14.2)
D Macpherson (F) 75.8(65.5)
Ment Trade Supply (1) 5.5(4.3)
Marith Ford (F) 7.2(6.4)
Reliance Knitwear (1) 8.7(7.6)

The emergence of De Beers

as the mystery buyer of shares in Cons Gold proved to be the main feature of the day in an otherwise dull mining sector. Cons Gold rocketed to 615p before fluctuating throughout the rest of the day, hefore settling at \$15p. A net fall on the day of 6p. De Beers, itself improved \$3 to \$121 mainly on its plan to sell half of its stake to Anglo American Corporation which took the news by dipping \$1/16

Among the other London financials to grow in stature in-cluded RTZ 13p to 460p, aided by the continuing rise in irecious metals and Selection Trust 16n to 780p.

Gold shares were in a more subdued mood as the hulton price dipped by \$9.0 to \$697.50 with the profit takers moving West Driefoutein fell S2! to \$83 accommanied by St Helena \$1 to \$37! and F. S. Geduld \$1) to \$591. At the cheaper end

of the market Harmony slipped Si to 5201 while Middle Wits put on 50 to 465p and UCL 50 The profit takers were quick to move into oils, as the buvers from the United States held

Latest results

5m 6,2(4.51 4.3(2.8) 0.31(0.28)

1.6(1.2) 0.29(0.22) 1.0(0.94) 45.7(21.7) 4.8(4.0)

Earnings

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tween 1p and 2p were registered back pausing for breath. Falls in Beecham at 126p, Fisons at were chalked up throughout ground following its recent the list including the majors profits warning dipping 5p to profits warning dipping 5p to 55!p. BP dipped 11p to 399p, followed by Shell 8p to 380p and Ultra-However, on a better note, speculative buying boosted United Scientific 9p to 465p mar 4p to 480p. Among secondliner Tricentrol fell 12p to 306p,

and MK Electric 11p to 190p. Attock 6n to 188n and Siebens Speculative interest also pro-4p to 766p. Lasmo, a specuvided firm features in Furness lative stock of late, dipped 5p Withy 15p higher at 287p, Spear & Jackson 8p to 108p. Wholesale Fittings 23p to 558p, to 495p which although Caw-woods, which holds a large stake in Lasmo, finished un-changed at 186p. Profit taking

BTR shares have been held back on fears that it would bid for Serck. This group is, how-ever, talking to the United States Rockwell. In March BTR should report annual profits of £55m, an increase of filsm. Ten years ago they were making less than film. For the present year some brokers are hoping for f63m or so. The shares rose 5p to 333p.

J. E. Sanger 2p to 21p and Ruberoid 53p to 583p. Applied Computer Tech-niques also came in for some buying, in a thin market rising 25p to 350p but profit taking bit Caffyos 5p to 200p.

Among companies reporting, Guinness Peat rose 13p to 127p Guinness Peat rose 13p to 127p
after some impressive half-time
results, while Donald Macpherson rose 6p to 97p and Crest
Nicholson improved 2p to 107p,
but full-year figures from
Martin Ford were not so well
received, and the price slipped
2p to 34p.
Foods had a firmer look than

Foods had a firmer look than of late, with Tate & Lyle up 2p to 178 continuing to make the most of the recent rise in the cost of sugar while Sainsbury rose by a similar amount to 288p.

Equity turnover on February gains). Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph were, R.T.Z., Premier Cons, CompAir, Premier New, ICI, BP, and Ultramar.

23.0b(24.0) 16.74(10.32) 3.79(2.21) 4.08(2.47a)

also hit oil-related stocks with

Imperial Continental Gas 2p

lower at 770p and Hunting Gib-

quieter conditions than of late

as the market eagerly awaited

the larest counter bid from Recal, 4p higher at 224p. Profit-

taking hegan to take some of

the glitter from Decca as the shares dioped 8p in the ordin-ary at 585p and 2p lower in the

are beginning to take a sceptical view of Racal's latest counter-

bid, in that if it does not arrive

Some of the steam also seems n have disappeared from some

of the other stocks which had been tipped as likely candidates

for a takeover bid. Plessev

eased 1p to 146p and Ferranti lossed 3p to 509p. Sound

soon it may not arrive at all.

at 442p. Some observers

experienced

son 9p worse off at 326p. Electricals experie

4.2(2.5) 12.0(12.5) trade later on in the day saw these losses cut down to hetween figure and figure are not. a Adjusted for rights issue. b = Reptis and cents.

Bid talk.

Furness

The shares in Furness Withy,

in which Canadian shipping

entrepreneur Mr Frank Narby

has been interested since 1975.

shot up 16p to 287p after

Furness is about the oldest bid story on the stock market

but even so it thinks that the

noticeably large two-way trade in the sheres in the last four

touching 290p yesterday.

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Reprieve for Yorkshire potash

Angle American and Charter that 145,000 tennes were raised ensolidated are to persevere and 146,100 tennes milled, a Consolidated are to persevere in Yorkshire, and hope that after seven years of heavy losses the mine will break-even by the end of the year.

The future of the mine, where about 1,500 are employed, has been in doubt for many months. Last August Ap.

many months. Last August, Anglo American and Charter Consolidated, the partners in Cleve-visions of over £20m against land Potash, said that its per-future liabilities were made in

Mr Fane Vernon, chairman

of metal stockholders Ash and Lacey, is taking the helm at troubled concrete-to-building

group British Dredging, whose

board has been split for almost

two years.
Mr Vernon, 56, was officially appointed yesterday and replaces current chairman, Mr

Bryan Clark, whose decision to

stand down as chairman but remain as chief executive, was announced after a stormy annual meeting last August.

Mr Clark joined British Dredging as chairman two years

By Philip Robinson

month's figures show considerable improvement productivity for a site which has been bedevilled with technical and labour problems since production began in 1973. Since then, it is estimated that the mine has cost its operators about £120m, of which Charter Consolidated's share was recently put at £43m. Pro-

formance would be reviewed last year's account.

Yesterday, they announced that having taken account of the improving production rate and forecasts of future output, it had been decided to con-

ago after profits hit their

worst patch for six years with

pretax losses of £651,000. Over

the following two years losses

were reduced, but in the half-years to June 30 there was a turnround from a profit of £73,000 to a loss of £196,000. It is understood that during

that time there were a number of board-room storms.

At the last annual meeting, director Mr Mostyn Bowles, who, with family interests, con-

trois around 14 per cent of the shares, proposed that four of the directors, including Mr

British Dredging's new chief

half-share each of Cleveland Potash, with Anglo agreeing to provide future investment in the mine.

At the time, Mr Murray Hof-meyr, Charter's departing chair-man, said that he thought Cleveland Porash could yet prove to be an important fulcrum for Charter's mining and market-ing activities.

A spokesman for Cleveland Potash said that although opera-tions would continue to be reviewed in the normal way, yea-terday's decision effectively removed the doubts about Boulby's future.

Originally, problems were posed by the unusual undularhalf-share to ra nominal sum. Ing shape of the seams of pot-Then, Charter and Anglo took a ash found at Boulby.

This motion was defeated.

although Mr Clark said at the

time that he would be prepared

to stand down as chairman to enable an independent director

to be appointed who could carry the whole board behind him. Mr Vernon, who has been chairman of Ash and Lacey for

down as managing director of

the company—a post he has held for 21 years—to take on the chairmanship of British

or five trading days has a direction. At the beginning of the month the shares were 244p. Observers suspect the main seller to be Mr Narby who has

on the face of things, little reason to hold his Furness stake. At the end of January Eurocanadian Shipholdings, the group of which he used to be chief executive, sold the shareholding in Manchester Liners. The main shareholder in Manchester Liners is Furness, Mr Narby has also been selling Furness shares in small parcels, taking his stake below 10 per

The destination of the shares is said by some to be either of two Hongkong-based shipping billionaires, Sir Yue Kong Pao, or Mr Cy Tung. The first named

is thought the more likely.

Options

The latest turn of events in Consolidated Gold Fields kept traded options on the boil yes-terday. Total contract rose from 1.187 to 1,313 with Cons Gold accounting for 735 much of which was centred on the April 550p series. The sharp rise in the price earlier in the morning had left some worried looks on dealers faces, but these soon eased as the price stabilized later on.

Toda ysees the start of a new series of options when the BP April 4400 series makes its Traditional options experi-

euced quiter conditions, although doubles were com-pleted in Cons Gold with dealers reporting some strong two-way business in Premier

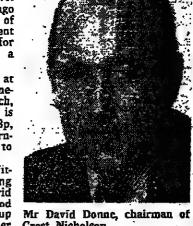
Crest Nicholson pretax profits at record £4.3m

Crest Nicholson, the property, engineering and tennis courts group, which eight months ago bought the optical business of Crofton, reported a 54 per cent increase in pre-tax profits for the year to last October to a record £4.3m.

In line with expectations at the time of the group's one-for-two rights issue last March, the total gross dividend is hoisted 65 per cent to 5.838p, with a 3.69p final. Group turnover rose by nearly £10m to £43.1m.

By far the biggest profitearner was its house-building side, which chairman, Mr David Donne, said had a very good year. And he expects a group profit increase of about 25 per cent in the current year.
Aiready two-thirds of the homes
they want to sell before October
have either had contracts exchanged or are in an advanced

Slotting into the second largest producer of profits is the group's new Crofton concern. Crest made a down pay-



Crest Nicholson

ment of £1.6m and the balance to be paid on a profits per-formance of Crofton. In the eight months since it was acquired, Mr Donne said that its profits were significantly more than the £300,000 Crofton made in the year before it was bought.

Tennis courts and running: tracks and the group's document conveying systems, D. D. Lamson, also did well, but the boat-building side of its marine operations and pumps and generators failed to match expectations. - --

Boat-building, which years ago accounted for a third of turnover and now represents only 5 per cent, has been declining for the past two years. Crest has now cut the labour force by a third to 60 people. and says that if conditions do not improve it will consider selling it.

Its pumps and generating arms, Coronet EM, lost half their turnover from Iran and Nigeria virtually overnight, but the group said it was still making profits and generating

cash-flow.

The group has gained a reputation in the City for its expansion policy. It does not invest or buy into manufacturing but on selling design, marketing and management marketing techniques.

Nordic Bank leaps to over £10m for year

By Ronald Pullen Banking Correspondent

The consortium banking approach to international bankapproach to international data-ing seems to be alive and well at Nordic Bank, which is owned by the four leading banks in Scandinavia. Pre-tax profits in the year to the end of Decem-ber 1979 jumped from £3.20m to £10m. Around three-quarters of the increases arose from the consolidation of its Swiss subsidiary Nordfinanz-Bank Zurich But the underlying rise, accord-ing to the bank, on a compar-able basis was from 18m to £10m.

The bank's balance sheet has also grown by 15 per cent to £1,229m although in dollar terms—the currency of most of Nordic's business—the increase was just over a quarter. At a time of generally tight conditions in international banking markets. Nordic has taken defensive action to steer clear of low margin, long maturity loans and the average life of its port-folio rose only from 24 to 21 years.

The loan book, meanwhile, has grown some 14 per cent to 1753m.

Elsewhere lessed assets, very little of which are United King-dom tax-based, almost trebled to £25m although acceptances. mostly tied to trade credit, only increased 6 per cent.

Advance of 20 pc at **Donald Macpherson**

A good performance from the industrial side boosted the fullyear figures of paints group Donald Macpherson.

The market did not let the performance pass unnoticed, marking the shares 6p higher to

close at 97p.
In the year to October 28, 1979, the Woolworth Cover-Plus paint supplier turned in pre-mx profits of £4.8m; almost a fifth higher than the previous year's £4m. Sales rose from £65.4m to £75.8m.

Although much of the increase in sales came from higher prices, there was a 4 per cent volume upturn is the

The industrial side, where Macphorson supplies paint for white goods products, car

improvement, but Cover-Plus

contribution.

The Able Jack side made a small profit, but this division is still being expanded. Twelve stores are already in operation and another three are D'anned

for the current year.

Despite the £2.33m rights issue during the year, borrowings held steady at around. Macpherson £766,000 against a previous £677,000. The full-year dividend has

been increased by 36.6 per cent to 6p gross where, on a share price of 97p, the yield amounts to 6 per cent. The shares trade at eight times fully-taxed earmings.

Hoffnung rejects £15m bid

UK-based trading group S. shares in the market Kleinwort Hoffnung & Co is to fight the said that it had not bought year spring on Monday by Austra-lian conglomerate Burns Philip. In a short statement last night it rejected Burns' 80p a share cash offer as "unaccept-able and wholly inadequate" and repeated its advice to share-holders and loan stockholders that they should take no action.

Ner asset value is 108p per ted its advisers Kleinwort Ben- on a hi son to buy more Hoffnung bidder.

surprise £15.9m takeover bid terday, but had paid 80p a share (a 3.5 per cent stake) immediately after the bid was announced to the Stock Exchange on Monday.

But unless Burns want to increase their offer, no more pur-chases can be made under the Takeover Code unless the Hoffnung price drops below the offer price.

The shares closed last night. Meanwhile, Burns has instruc-ed its advisers Kleinwort Ben- on a higher offer, or a counter-

Business appointments

New chief executive for Costain Group

Mr P. J. Costain has been named as a director of Costain Group. He has also been appointed group chief executive in succession to Mr C. T. Wyatt who is deputy chairman of Costain Group.

Mr P. H. Liley and Mr R. J. Garnett Harper are now directors of Heal & Son Holdings. Mr Liley, as group design director, also becomes a director of Heal & Son, Heal of Bromley, Heal's Contracts

and Heal Fabrics. Mr R. J. Garnett Rarper has joined the board of the Furniture Group and Mr C. F. Pilgrim has been made a director of the Soft Furnishings and Accessories Group.

Mr Richard Croydon is now a director of Dunlop Irrigation Services. He succeeds Dr G. D. T. Owen, who is to take up a senior post in Dunlop's central personnel division.

Aging director-designate of Morison Ott. He takes over as chief executive from Mr G. S. Poernig, who remains chairman.

Mr Bernard Robinson has succeeded Mr E. O. T. Blauford (retired) as chief executive of Tallent Engineering. Mr Blauford remains on the board of Tallent and the Colston Group and has

Mr S. B. E. Callaway becomes managing director, Mr H. Brown sales director, and Mr R. Goodwin works director of York Street Furniture.

Mr Derek Lees and Mr Jim
Whittaker bave been made joint
managing directors and Mr David's
O'Brien becomes financial director

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Summary of Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1979

| Consolidated Balance Shect | 1979 | 1978 |
|---|-------------------|------------------|
| | €,000 | \$1000 |
| Share Capital | 30.000 18,354 | 30,000 13,709 |
| Reend | 48,359 | 43,709 |
| Minority Interest | 21,657 | 23,186 |
| Loan Capital | 65,446 | 29,675 |
| Total Capital Finds | 135,462 | 96,570 |
| Current Deposit and other Accounts | 1.093.757 | 972,484 |
| a tal Liabilities and Capital Funds | 1.229.219 | 1.069.054 |
| Cash at Banks. | | |
| Money at Call and Short Notice | 107.951 | 133.559 |
| Certificates of Deposit and Bills of Exchange | 65.727 | 60.379 |
| Deposits with Banks | 232.558 | 165,416 9,295 |
| Listed Securities | 11,240 258,402 | 262,227 |
| Loans and Advances, repayable within I year Loans and Advances, repayable after I year | 494.115 | 397.363 |
| Loans and Advances, repayable after 1 year | 59,226 | 40,816 |
| Other Assets | 1,229,219 | 1.069.054 |
| Total Assets | 111177117 | Hoosea |
| Consolidated Profit and Loss Account | | |
| | 6*466 | FIRM |

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Profit after Taxation

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Copies of the Annual Report may be obtained from the Secretary's office

CROWN BOUSE Crown House has agreed to sell freehold property at Station Road, Redhill, Surrey, for £7.03m cash. Surplus on disposal likely to be about £3.4m. Deal subject to shareholders' approval.

MAKTIN-FORD

Sales for year to December I, £7,21m (£6.49m). Pretax profits, £1.33m (£1.32m). Total gross divideod raised from 3.27p to 3.71p. For current year, it is unlikely that last year's interim figures will be achieved.

RELIANCE KNITWEAR RELIANCE KNITWEAR
Turnover for half-year to October 31 up from £7.64m to £8.73m
but pretax profits fell from
£350,000 to £258,000. Interim payment held at £.2p gross. Sales
in November and December were
"not good", although January
shows some improvement,

WARREN PLANTATION Urogate Investments (a company in which Mr K. P. Legg exercises over a third of voting power) has bought 10,000 shares in Warren Plantation Holdings, bringing its total holding to 500,000 shares.

LOMBARD NORTH CENTRAL Chairman reports in his annual statement that volume of new busi-ness undertaken in first quarter of current year has again shown a "substantial increase" over similar period last year.

MAPLE (HOLDINGS)
Acquisition of 92 per cent of capital of Armena SA has been completed for 8.22m French france (5914,000).

MUBIL-HELRIDGE MOBIL-RELIXIDGE
Mobil Corp is considering further legal steps to protect its previously-asserted rights to the assets of Belridge Oil which was merged into Shell Oil on December 10. Mobil said its Mobil Oil Corp subsidiary tendered its 17.8 process in Religion to per cent interest in Belridge to Shell on January 22, for which it has received \$653m.—Reuter.

MEAT TRADE SUPPLIERS Turnover for half-year to September 30 up from £4.39m to £3.59m. Pretax profits rose from £135,000 to £201,000. Interim payment held at 5p gross,

BROADSTONE TRUST Pretax revenue of Broadstone Investment Trust, £1.68m (£1.27m) for 1979. Total payment, 10.5p (\$2.4p) gross. Net assets value per ordinary 20p shares, 194p (201.4p a year earlier).

Tate and Lyle is to sell its Interest in Reality Furniture to Hukla-Werke for a "nominal considera-

tion." Interest is 54 per cent of ordinary and all of preference capital. Hukia, West German furniture maker, owns at present 10 per cent of ordinary of Reality.

FUTURA HOLDINGS Pretax profits for 1979 expected o be in region of £161,000, gainst £169,000, Present order took is "satisfactory".

Turnover for half-year to September 30, £2.18m (£1.82m). Pretax profit, £295,000 (£227,000). Interim payment, 0.18p gross, sgainst 0.16p (adjusted). Current level of bookings for 1980 holiday season. season again encouraging and overall increase in group profits expected for full year.

Briefly

WILLIAM JACKSON & SON Turnover for half-year to October 27 up from £49.42m to £56.38m and pretax profits from £946,000 to £1.08m.

JOHN LAING John Laing Construction is to dispose of its 40 per cent holding in Ingeco Laing for "a nominal

CRESCENT JAPAN TRUST Pretax profit of Crescent Japan Investment Trust for 1979 climbed from £289,000 to £513,000. Total payment raised from 1.94p to 3.57p gross. Earnings per share up from 2.21p to 3.79p.

JOHANNESBURG INV Pretax profits of Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Co more than doubled to R45.7m (about £24m) in the half-year to Decem-ber 31 last, against R21.7m in the similar half in 1978. Net asset value per share at December 31, R107 (R60 a year earlier). First-half's results will not necessarily be repeated in second half, board warns.

ARERCOM GROUP ARERCOM GROUP
Turnover for half-year to
December 31, R74,85m (£40m),
against R59.53m. Pretax income,
R6.27m (£3.33m), compared with
R4.52m. Interim dividend raised
from 10 to 11 cents; carnings
per share 23c (24c). Outlook to
June, 1980, is "good", board
reports.

INT TRUST JERSEY
Total dividend of International
Investment Trust Co of Jersey
raised from 5p to 6p for 1979.

De Beers Consolidated Mines Limited Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa.

The Board of De Beers Consolidated Mines Limited has announced that it is the owner of 7.43 m. shares in Consolidated Gold Fields Limited and has today secured options from one party to purchase a company that holds a further 7.43 m. shares and from another party to purchase a company holding 5.22 m. shares, which options it proposes to exercise so that it will hold a total of 20.08 m. shares, i.e. approximately 13.4% of the issued capital. De Beers also has a right of first refusal from the third party over a further 1.305 m. shares.

De Beers has today acquired through the market an additional 16.5 m. shares (11%) but does not intend to acquire further shares which would require it to make a formal offer. It is not seeking to change the control or the management of Consolidated Gold Fields Limited in which it has great confidence.

De Beers proposes to offer half its total holding to Anglo American Corporation of South Africa Limited.

Kimberley 12th February 1980

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Toyota predicts year of record sales

The Toyota Motor Company of Japan forecasts another record business year ending on June 30, with after-tax profit expected to reach a record 130bn yen on record sales estimated at 3.2 trillion yen.

Chairman Mr Shohachi Hanai says that this would be a 27 per cent rise in after-tax profits from the record 102.06bn yen in the previous business year and a 14 per cent rise in sales from 2.80 trillion yen.

He said the good business prospects emerge mainly from active export sales which are more than offsetting slow domestic sales.

Mr Hanai said the company expects domestic vehicle sales will fall by 3.2 per cent to 1.60 million units this year from a year ago. Exports are expected to rise 29.2 per cent to 1.56 million units.

International

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The largest Japaness vehicle manufacturer announced earlier that first-helf after-tax profits of a record 65.08bn yen, were up 53.5 per cere from 42.39bn yen on a year ago, on record sales of 1.55 trillion yen, up 14.5 per cent from 1.35 trillion yea.

Rise in KLM costs

In an explanatory note to its third quarter results published on January 31, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines said that higher interest costs—a main factor behind the wider net loss for the period—were due or service.

behind the wider net loss for the period—were due primarily to the company's leuse of a Boeing 747 aircraft.

Although KLM's operating result was somewhat improved in the third quarter at a F18.5m loss against F112.7m loss a year sarlier, the company's net loss widened. The quarterly net result showed a shortfall of F111.9m compared with a loss of F19.8m the year before.

The balance of interest income and charges, in which the cost of the lease is con-

the cost of the lease is contained was a debit of F17.7m during the period against a credit of F11.1m a year earlier. This, combined with the negative F10.4m bylance of "other tive F10.4m balance of "other income and expenses" contributed to the wider net loss.

Western Deep Levels

Technical advisers to the at Johannesburg have proposed that an additional shaft system be sunk in the southern portion of the lease area and a new gold plant be constructed at the site, Anglo American Corpora-tion of South Africa said. In a statement as a prolimin-ary step, the Western Deep

the project, will reach full output at end 1986.

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Wall Street

Commodities

Discount market

Levels board has approved expenditure of R9.8m for placing of orders for long delivery items of equipment and preparation of the site of the shaft system.

Anglo American said that the proposal envicages a twin shaft system, with all ancillary surface and underground works including the gold plant, which constitutes the first phase of the project, will reach full out-tomorrow.

A large amount of official assistance was needed to relieve yet another extremely tight day in the discount marker yesterday. The Bank of England bought a moderate amount of official assistance was needed to relieve yet another extremely tight day in the discount marker yesterday. The Bank of England bought a moderate amount of official assistance was needed to relieve yet another extremely tight day in the discount marker yesterday. The Bank of England bought a moderate amount of Treasury bills from the houses, and a small quantity of eligible bank bills from the houses on a repurchase basis. In addition, the authorities lent a small sum to three or four the proposal envisages a twin shaft system, with all ancillary surface and underground works including the gold plant and the proposal envisages a twin shaft system, with all ancillary surface and underground works including the gold plant the proposal envisages a twin shaft system, with all ancillary surface and underground works including the gold plant and the proposal envisages a twin shaft system. tomorrow.

The pattern of trading was very similar to Monday, with houses taking only tiny sums at 17 per cent during the morning, and finally picking up balances between 161 and 17 per cent. After the large programme of help, all the identified factors worked against the market. Balances were moderately below target from Monday, the market bought back a small amount of "eligibles" from the authorides, and there was a small net take up of Treasury bills to finance.

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Gold

Foreign exchange report

Sterling Spot and Forward

Sterling lost some ground late in the day yesterday in response to the British Leyland workers' rejection of the company's wage offer, but in the thin conditions prevailing most of the fall was soon recovered. The pound closed 3 of a tent lower overall at 2.2970 compared with 2.3045 last night. The effective exchange index also eased at the final calculation of 72.9 compared with 73.0 on Monday.

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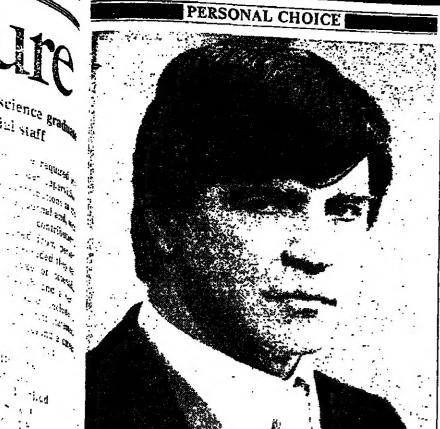
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Alan Bates in Very Like a Whale (ITV, 8.00), a film for television, written by John Osborne

 What delicious irony lies in the fact that the curtain rises on the prologue to the Olympic Games today (BBC 1, 7.25) without any guarantee that the play itself will ever be staged. without any guarantee that the play itself will ever be staged.

Never mind. Let us enjoy the certainties of the Winter Olympics and let the imponderables of the Moscow Games look after themselves. The scene at Lake Placid should be spectacular: the parade of the competing teams, the official opening ceremony, the analysis of the Olympic torch and the lighting of the flame. the arrival of the Olympic torch and the lighting of the flame. me artival of the Olympic forch and the lighting of the fiame. Equally spectacular, if past form can be relied on, will be the enthusiasm of David Coleman who will mastermind the BBC's spoken coverage from now until February 25. Will his supply of superlatives hold out? That is the substance of another question mark that hangs over the Games.

A red rose is drained white in the opening titles of the John Osborne film Very Like a Whale (ITV, 8.00) and for the next hour and 40 minutes, with Alan Bates's disintegrating industrialist rarely off screen, we are not allowed to forget the visual metaphor. I found Mr Bates's descent into the maelstrom making very heavy demands on my patience and concentration, but Gemma Jones's needling wife, the thorn on the rose (some rose, the Bates character, though !) is a performance of nerve-racking

The danger about musical films like Cover Girl (BBC 2, 7.50) is that, viewed through memory's misty eyes they seem better than they really were. To be honest, the story of Cover Girl is trite and Rita Hayworth's acting leaves much to be desired. But I have to admit that one or two of the Kelly-Hayworth dance numbers (Put Me to the Test, for example) do not fall far short of Astaire-Rogers perfection, and Kelly's own choreographing of his dance with his alter ego, first glimpsed in a shop window, is screen magic of a high order. As for its Jerome Kern song Long Ago and Far Away, it is, of course, part of

• The nostalgic appeal of old films, mentioned above, is the most potent force that will be liberated by tonight's programme in the Be My Guest series on Radio 2 (10.30 pm). Eddie Bracken not a top-flight comedian but a reliable and endearing one, will recall some of the Hollywood comedies in which he appeared.... I applaud Radio 4's decision to repeat Jeremy Siepmann's plain men's guides to the orchestra (10.30). Conductors have been over-exposed, over-praised. It is high time the spotlight fell on the rank and file.

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7.95 am Open University. Beginning Reading; 7.30 Argument on Television (1). Closedown at 7.55.
9.05 For Schools, Colleges: Engineering Craft Studies; 9.35 Exploring Science; 9.58 Let's Go (for mentally hand(capped); 10.12 Words and Pictures; 10.30 Home Economics (animal foods); 11.02 Science All Around (bottles).
11.25 You and Me: For the very young, Our New Baby (r).
11.40 Schools, Colleges: History (Country of the Setting Sun); 12.05 pm Russlan—Language and People; 5 (r). Closedown at 12.30.
12.45 News and weather.

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1.00 Pebble Mill at One: Geoffrey
Pardoe, the energy expert, talks
about nuclear power. In the studio,
too, is Dr Mike Flood, trom
Friends of the Earth. 1.45 Playboard: Puppers for children.

2.01 Schools, Colleges: Watch (Robinson crusoe—boathuilding);

2.18 Near and Far; 2.40 Communicate! (inside radio). Closedown at 3.00.

Ladbury on how to make shirts and blouses (r). 3.55 Play School: John Yoeman's 3.55 Play School: John Yoeman's story The Bear's Winter House.
4.20 Pixie and Dixie: Cartoon. Wise Quack (r).
4.25 Jackanory: Cyd Hayman tells the oriental folk tale The Greedy Polecat. The pictures are Gillian Chapman's.
4.40 Take Hart: Tooy Hart with some spack hauntings.

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3.25 Children's Wardrobe: Ann

4.40 Take Hart: Tony Hart with some splash paintings.
5.89 John Craven's Newsround; Junior newsreel.
5.05 God's Wonderful Railway: Episnde 2 of Avril Rowlands's serial about a branch line of incold GWR. Filmed on location in Shropshire and Worcestershire. The story of a family.
5.40 News: with Kenneth Kendall. 5.55 Nationwide.
7.00 Bugs Bunny's Valentine Special: Cartoon, with an element of romance befitting the occasion.
7.25 Olympic Grandstand: The opening ceremony of the XIII Winter Olympics, from Lake Placid. At 8.35, a team of BRC experts will pick out some of the

supposes the solution of the s HARMINIAN
9.30 am For Schools: Politics (1978)
Hamilton by election); 9.52 My
World (use of space); 10.10 How
we Used to Live (Victorian inventions); 10.33 French (love); 11.04
Stop, Look, Listen (bricks); 11.16
Finding Out (Verona); 11.36 How
we Used to Live (Victorian
Christmas),
12.00 Adventures of Rupert Bear;



Thelma Barlow in Coronation Street (ITV, 7.30)

4.45 Spiderman: Cartoon, Cloud City of Gold (r).

5.15 Mr and Mrs: Quiz game with three couples showing how much une spouse knows about the other.

.30 Coronation Street: Mavis

10.30 Frank Sinatra—the First Forty Years: Famous people pay tribute to the singer. They include Orson Welles, Cary Grant, James Cagney, Rita Haworth and Harry James. Mr Sidatra sings a song or two. 12.20 am Close: Religious reading

5.50 Regional news, weather,

8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. 9.00 News. 9.05 Mid-Week. 6.55 am (mw only) Weather.
7.00 News.
7.05 Records: Hummel, Llobet,
Mozart, Tchaikovsky.†
8.00 News. 9.05 Min-vieto.
10.00 News.
10.05 Gardeners' Question Time.
10.30 Daily: Service.
10.45 Four Frightened People (3). 8.05 Records: Haydn, Handel (Dixit Dominus) †

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10.45 Four Frightened People (3).
11.00 News.
11.05 Baker's Dozen.
12.00 News.
12.02 pm You and Yours.
12.17 Plays: The Cellar; End of the Line. 12.55 Weather. 2.00 News. 2.02 Woman's Hour.

2 and ITV at different times).
9.10 News: with Peter Woods.
9.35 Fum: The French Connection, Number 2 (1975). Very tough sequel to The French Connection, with "Popeye "Doyle (Gene Hackman) again on the track of Charater (Fernando Rey), the master heroin smuggler, Brilliantly directed by John Frankenheimer, with superbly shot Marseilles locations. 3.00 News. 3.02 Listen With Mother. 3.15 Play: Night, by Elizabeth Troop.†
4.00 Choral Evensong.†
4.45 Story: Thunderbolt.
5.00 PM.
5.55 Weather.

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5.00 News.

6.30 My Music.† 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Checkpoint.

Radio 4

6.00 am News Briefing.

6.10 Farming Today.

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7.45 On the Town. 8.38 A Sideways Look. 8.45 Analysis. .15 Financial World Tonig 1.30 Today in Parliament. 12.00 News. 12.15-12.23 am Weather

6.45 The Master Game: Who will artists—Peggy Taub, an American, win the chance to qualify for the final of this chess tournament—the Future: 7.05 Ultrastructure of Cells. 7.30 Brain Structure. Close-down at 7.55.

10.30 Gharbar: For Asian viewers, includes a short story for children, Closedown at 10.45.

11.00 Play School: Same as BBC 1, 3.55. Closedown at 11.25.

1.45 Racing From Ascot: The main race is the Whitbread Trial Handicap Steeplechase at 3.00. We also see the 2.00, 2.30 and 3.35. Closedown at 3.50.

450 Popen University: Haemoglobin; 5.15 Models in Chemistry.

5.40 Cartoon Two: Cechoslovak-lian cartoon. A Bird's Life. An award winner.

5.50 Pfide and Prejudice: Final episode of Fay Weldon's adaptation of the Jane Austen classic. Cupid's dart strike home (r).

Westward 5.45 News, 6.00 Thames News. 7.00 This is Your Life: Another Eamonn Andrews biographical tribute.

Riley gives the mysterious tele-phone caller one last chance. 8.00 Very Like a Whale: Brand new John Osborne work, about an in-dustrialist (Alan Bates) who is dustrialist (Alan bates) who accoming apart at the seams. Gemma Jones plays his second wife (see Personal Choice).

9.50 Party Political Broadcast: By the Labour Party.

by Andrew Cruickshank. Through the Year with J. B. Phil-lips.

RADIO

11.00 Study on 4: Sur le vif (15).
11.30-12.10 am Open University:
The Map of the Ocean Floor, 19th
Century Technology.

Radio 3

9.00 News.
9.05 Week's Composer: Rachmaninov (incl Pno Conc 1).†
10.00 Organ: Boyce, Stanford, Leighton, Berkeley.†
10.35 Edward Cowie: Gesangbuch.†
11.30 Budapest SO: Dohnanyi, Soproni (Sym 1—1st UK bdcst), Mailbag. 8.0

1.00 pm News. 1.05 Quintets (Pro Arte, Zurich, live from Broadcasting House): Reicha, Ligeti, Ibert.† 2.00 Music Weekly.†
2.50 Quartets (Coull): Saxton, C. Brown (1st bdcsts).†
3.30 Plano: Bach, Mozart (K282),
Schumann.†
4.20 Aspects of the Blues.

4.55 News.
5.90 (mw and mone only from 6.20) Music for early evening.†
7.00 Music Now.
7.45 Harpischord (Leonhardt): Scarlatti.†
8.00 Opera: Doktor Faust, by

Busoni (Langridge, Reich, Wilson-Johnson, BBCSO, Gielen, live from Festival Halli, prologue and sc 1.† 9.35 Six Continents: world news. 9.55 Doktor Faust, sc 2 and 3.† 10.50 Poetry Now. 11.10 Building a Library: Brahms

(Sym 3).† 11.55-12.00 News. am-7.00 Open University:

VHF
6.58 am Regional news, weather.
7.50 Regional news, weather.
9.05-10.30 Schools: History in Evidence; Advanced Studies—English; Poetry Corner; Music Makers; Something to Think About.
10.45-12.00 Schools: The Music Box; by the People, For the People; Inquiry; Quest.
2.00-3.00 pm Schools; Movement and Drama 1; Books, Plays, Poems; Nature. Maths—Lebesgue Integration; What is Design?; Fielding's Tom 6.20 pm-7.00 Open University: Con-

10.03 Colin Berry. † 12.03 pm David Hamilton, + 2.03 Ed Stewart. + 4.03 Much More Music. † 5.00 News, 5.05 Waggopers' Walk, 5.20 Much More Music.; 6.03 John Dunn.; 8.02 Listen to the Band.; 8.45 Alau Dell. 9.15 The Magic of the Musicals.† 9.55 Sports Desk 10.02 News Headlines. 10.30 Eddie Bracken, 11.02 Brian Marthew. 2.02-5.00 am You and the Night and the Music.+

5.00 am As Radio 2, 6.00 Dave Lee Travis. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.31 Paul Burnett, 2.00 pm Andy Peebles, 4.31 Kid Jensen, 7.00 Mailbag. 8.00 Mike Read. 9.50 Newsbeat, 10.00 John Pcel. + 12.00-5.00 am As Radio 2.

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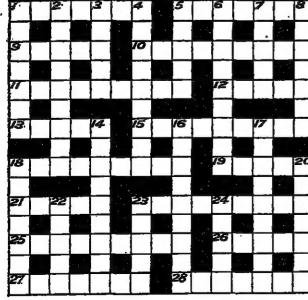
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ing Staines (5). 13 Transactions p tricky business (5).

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